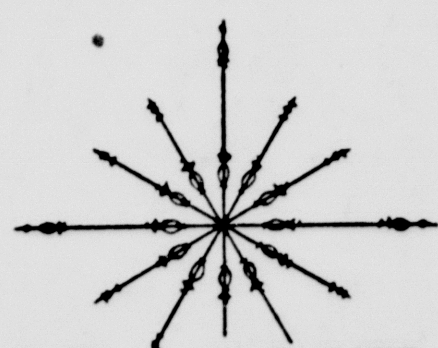


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THE CHRISTMAS STORY

Reborn on this Holy Day is the blessed spirit of brotherhood, good will, and the eternal wish for the universal peace of man . . . Thus, on His Day, we say unto you — when this Spirit of Christmas enters into your home, may it bring to you our eternal wishes for your health and happiness! It is in genuine appreciation of your friendship and patronage that we extend these hearty wishes that every joy be yours for the coming season.

THE CANYON NEWS

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EDITORIAL COMMENTS

Water Talk On All Fronts By All Peoples Is Order of the Day

"Hell lacks only water to be an ideal climate" is an adage which we have heard all of our lives. Perhaps the adage is badly worded, but just now Texans have water on the brain, and the discussion is wide and varied.

Each and every Congressman, the Governor, and now the Lieutenant Governor comes up with a learned discussion on water.

No one doubts the wisdom of water, but the opinions vary as to how an adequate supply may be secured.

We have a sneaking idea that the politicians of Texas have grabbed the water situation as a political football, and are running for a touchdown—if possible.

This is especially true so far as the Lieutenant Governor is concerned. Here Ben Ramsey has been as quiet as a church mouse—if a church mouse is really quiet—until December, just before the time when political decisions are made. Ben wants to be Governor of Texas. Yet, few Lieutenant Governors have been successful in their campaigns for the higher office in recent years. Ben probably knows this, but he is relying on his neighbors of East Texas to rush to his assistance and vote for the local boy who has made good.

Ben wrote a long and learned discussion on the water situation in Texas. He comes up with no new ideas. Therefore we are not devoting any space to his articles.

Having served with Ben in the House several years ago, when he was a Freshman legislator, and knowing that he is pretty weak so far as legislation is concerned, we are not inclined to accept his political boom of himself too seriously. However, we recognize the weakness of the voters in supporting some candidate from far away places when it comes to politics, rather than supporting a home man. This is especially true in West Texas where we have not yet learned that not all political wisdom is centered in East Texas.

We still need water; the central part of Texas needs water; the Rio Grande needs water; in fact East Texas needs water. We are hopeful that some one will come up with an idea which will develop greater water supplies in all of Texas.

Building Freeway To Amarillo Would Be Expensive for Randall

An Amarillo business man, and a former mayor of Amarillo, stated while in Canyon last week that he did not approve of the attitude of the State Highway Commission in its demand for the so-called freeway, or express way through Randall and Potter counties.

"The cost will be too much for either county to bear at this time," was his statement. "I have never voted against a bond issue in Amarillo, but will certainly oppose this one," he stated.

This man asked what Randall county would do about the 100 additional feet on both sides of the present highway. He was advised that no one knew what the cost would be until a survey was made mile by mile, and the property owners asked what they would take for their land.

When it came to moving houses, and drilling additional irrigation wells, the cost would be very, very heavy.

"What would the State do with twice the amount of highway right-of-way it now owned?" asked the visitor.

This was the \$64 question, which no one has yet been able to ascertain.

The boys down from Austin way say that we will either give the land or not get the highway. This is one administration speaking. The next State Highway Commission will probably ask for something vastly different.

The Amarillo man was asked what the state boys would demand of the Santa Fe in the way of an underpass, and what they would expect for the highways West and South of Canyon. The State and county and city have been unable to secure any satisfaction regarding the present two lane underpass on the Santa Fe. Until something is done at this point, why should Randall county go to the expense of moving all of the property between Canyon and Amarillo just for the satisfaction of three men who think that they are the lords of all they survey.

Oh, sure, they have the power to block needed improvements in highway construction, but let us point out that the highway department has changed its own mind year after year as to construction, and may do something entirely differently in the future than it has in the past.

So far as we have been able to ascertain, there are very few people either in Randall county or Potter county who are sold on all of the demands of the State commission. All of us realize that something should be done about the present highway, but can see no sense in Randall county bonding itself for a block long right-of-way.

Understand, we are not as yet opposing the highway or the bond issue, simply asking questions which so far have been unanswered.

FDR Is Criticised For Acts By a Disappointed Writer

A critical writer comes up with a blast at former President Roosevelt.

He could certainly have chosen a more recent subject for his criticism—a man who is living and able to defend himself. That is the reason why we have never been able to justify the attack made on a dead man in the White case.

While we fell out with Roosevelt when he sought to become dictator of the world, no one can criticize the good work which he accomplished, and the security which he added to the people of the nation through his reform measures in the first two terms of his administration.

The critics can always find plenty to find fault with—and we shall have them with us always.

If some human beings really knew half they think they know, this world would be a much better place.

The reason most people have little money is because it is so much easier to spend money than to save it.

The business of developing one's personality is more important than that of regulating others.

It Is Very Much of a Mystery As to Why Reds Act as They Do

It is very much of a mystery to us.

Why is it that after all the friendship shown to the Russians by the American government that we should be dealing with such a bunch of liars?

Russia would have been wiped off the face of the globe by the Hitler hordes had it not been for the help given them in time of need by the Americans.

Yet we were silly enough to think that the Russians would be friendly with us after the downfall of Hitler.

Our government kept shipping war materials to the Russians long after the people protested the silly acts of the government in these shipments. Even Tom Connally, then Senator from Texas and chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, defended the shipments as being a part of the commitments made by the USA to Russia.

Commitments, made by whom and under what circumstances?

Roosevelt and Truman were fooled by the Russians. Just what could have been expected from the balance of Americans when our leaders, who sat down and talked with Stalin were so badly fooled?

It is no wonder that President Eisenhower has refused to meet the Russians, at the request of Churchill, until a definite plan is worked out, and until Eisenhower has been assured that the dilly-dally process will not be continued by the Reds.

We shall see what we shall see.

Fighting the Commies in Texas Is No Play For the Children

When it was first announced that the Commies had invaded Texas with the purpose of getting a foothold through Mexico, most of us shrugged our several shoulders and passed over the idea as entirely preposterous and just another Truman red herring.

The fact that President Eisenhower has publicly stated that commies are whipped in the government was cheerful news. We hoped that it would be true.

After reading the report of the Governor of Texas and the Attorney General on the antics of the commies in Texas, it looks like all citizens were fooled.

J. C. Phillips, editor of the Borger daily newspaper, has probably devoted more time and study to Communism than any other man in Texas. He is thoroughly convinced of the presence of the commies in Texas, and what they intend to do to us. His slogan is: "Communism Must Be Destroyed."

It is pretty evident now that the commies have been at work in Texas with the view of getting a foothold among the trade unions, feeling perfectly secure since so many union members have in the past been more sold on the idea of a strong union than they have in a strong America. When the cards are down the commies will find that most union members are good Americans and that they are not going to be fooled by Red propaganda.

We agree that "Communism Must Be Destroyed."

Greetings To One and To All At This Christmas Time

Here is hoping that all of you will get all that you desire from good Old Santa.

No matter who or what Santa may be, let us remember that this is the time of year for gift giving.

"It is more blessed to give than to receive," says the Good Book, but few of us have learned this lesson. We are selfish enough to want to get more than we put out. Guess that it is a fundamental of human nature, regardless of the time of year or the conditions under which we live.

Here is to all of you: May this Christmas be a Merry one, filled with joys to the overflowing.

Now that the football season is ending, the tall man's game of basketball will take over the spotlight, until baseball returns.

The best people, and the smartest, go to church. Only the unadjusted and confused fail to realize its spiritual value.

It is a sad commentary on the American reading public when one glances through the list of recent best sellers.

If the French government continues to demonstrate immaturity, the Big Four might become the Big Three.

Now is the time most people are wishing they had started a Christmas saving account in January.

Most of the stuff out of Hollywood these days contains both trash and propaganda.

Equality, be it understood, is not the rule of nature except in the languages of the inferior.

Death takes no holidays—so watch your driving at all times; especially during the holidays.

The explanation of the younger generation is to be found in the older generation.

It's pretty easy to run the government when you don't have to run the government.

Buying anything on credit is much easier than paying for it after you've got it.

Buying Christmas Seals is a habit that every citizen should acquire and continue.

Hard work is a lot harder than hand work; that's why we have so little head work.

Older people have never understood young people so why expect a miracle now?

It is easy to get support for almost any cause until the times come to give the cash.

Who can remember when the one-piece bathing suit created a sensation?

The average American girl can get along pretty well on her own.

Issues are vastly more important than men, but it requires men to make issues.

The churches render service to all individuals who are willing to be served.

Supreme Court Faces Music in Segregation Case

By EDWARD H. SIMS

WASHINGTON: The Supreme Court came face to face with a highly controversial civil rights issue a few days ago when the school segregation cases were heard. Like some politicians, the Supreme Court attempted to evade a showdown on the question for several years.

It refused in 1952 to accept a school segregation case because a lower court had not yet reported to it on results of an order for a state to equalize its facilities for the Negro race. Ever since 1896, when the court had established the principle that separate but equal facilities were not necessarily discriminatory, schools have been segregated in at least 17 states and Washington, D. C.

Even in December of last year and the spring of this year, the Supreme Court refused to answer the question put by plaintiffs in the five cases just heard. That question is: Does segregation in itself, in the schools, constitute discrimination.

After hearing arguments on these cases, and this question, in December of last year, the court several months later neatly handed the ball to attorneys for each side and the Justice Department. In a strange maneuver, the high court asked the attorneys and the Justice Department if it had the authority to end segregation in the schools and if it did have, how should it be done.

A few days ago the two sides answered these questions for the court. The states of Virginia, South Carolina, Kansas, and Delaware, and the District of Columbia argued that the court didn't have that power and the plaintiffs argued it did.

This time the court will have to come up with the answer to that 64 dollar question. It has taken between four and five years for some of the cases involved to reach this final stage, but it seems that

this time there is nothing for the nine Justices to do but face the music.

SPENDING CUTS

In an address prepared for the annual convention of Investment Bankers Association, Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey declared that if large cuts in Federal spending are to be made next year, they must be carved out of national security outlays. Otherwise, the Government will run \$8,000,000,000,000 or \$9,000,000,000 in the red next year.

TAKE-HOME PAY

Take-home pay of workers in the United States, beginning Jan. 1, 1954, will increase slightly. Withholding taxes will be at the rate of 18 per cent instead of the present 20 per cent, but social security taxes will be higher — the rate being two per cent on the first \$3,600 of salary instead of 1½ per cent as at present.

THEREBY STEALING THE SHOW

During a comedian's turn at a suburban music hall the theater cat chased a mouse across the stage. Before the performer could think of a suitable crack the mouse found one.

WEATHER REPORT

A Georgia farmer reports it has rained so much since last October that a 16-inch grindstone he left out in the weather was reduced through exposure to the size of a doughnut.

REPORT

The Agricultural Department comes up with "money-saving" main dishes. The only money-saving dish we ever saw was the china piggy bank.

SIGHTSEERS

The European tourist season seems to have opened earlier than usual this year. An American naval force is about to visit Norway to feast its eyes upon the beautiful mountains, waterfalls, and fjords.

TROUBLE

Gentlemen who allow grass to grow under their feet are making mower trouble for themselves.

WAS NOT PROMOTED

He watched the clock. He was always late. He was forever grumbling and complaining. He only half did things. He didn't study up on his job. He associated with his inferiors. He did not strive for promotion. He didn't have to. He was the president of the company.

THE LOW DOWN

Mrs. Pryou — I never size people up by the clothes they wear on the street.

Mrs. Guyer — Oh, I never do. Give me a line full of clothes every time, my dear.

WHAT MATTER?

Waitress — Did you order this sundae, sir?

Customer — No, late Saturday afternoon, I think.

LAST RIGHTS

"And 'ow is your 'usband gettin' on?"

"We can't complain."

"My, is 'e that bad?"

HAMMER OR SASH-WEIGHT?

Mr. Bold — I'm a self-made man.

Mrs. Bolder — Well, I'm a self-made widow.

Drugs-Sundries-Gifts - Canyon Drug

OPPOSITE

A reader wants to know if an editor is a man who puts things in the magazine. Land, no. An editor is a man who keeps things out of the magazine.

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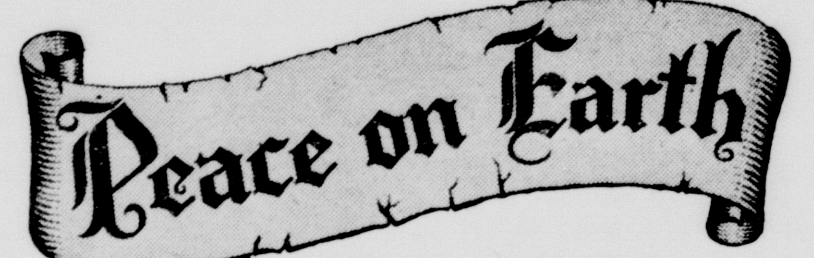
Judged as the Outstanding Weekly Newspaper in Texas in 1942.

Placed as the Outstanding Weekly Newspaper in "Editing The Day's News" in 1943.

Winner of FIRST PLACE in the Texas Press Association contest as outstanding newspaper in Texas for 1950.

Winner of FIRST PLACE in the Panhandle Press Association contest for editorials in 1952.

Winner of FIRST PLACE in the Texas Press Association contest for column writing in 1952; second in the State in General Excellency.



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

GREETINGS! Our best wishes for a holiday that is chock-full of many, many good things — such as — happiness, good cheer and the wondrous joy and peace of a HOLY CHRISTMAS.

C & M CAFE

CARL AND MARIE HAIR



That JOY be with you this happy season — is the sincere wish we extend to all of our many friends! "Merry Christmas" is still the warmest greeting of the season.

T. A. BLACK



Ike Not Moved As Churchill Turns On His Charm At Bermuda

WASHINGTON: Sir Winston Churchill, in what might have been the elder statesman's last international conference, came to Bermuda to meet with memories of many other conferences with American leaders during World War II. Churchill cooperated closely with Presidents Roosevelt and Truman and met with both on numerous occasions in the hectic days from 1940 (when he was made Prime Minister) until 1945 (when he was turned out) and again (with Presidents Truman and Eisenhower) from 1951 through 1953.

As First Lord of the Admiralty during the first part of World War I, he also served his country in many joint strategy meetings, of that day. As he headed for Bermuda, earlier this month, the British warrior must have wondered if he would carry the day this time. More often than not, the American Chiefs of Staff and President Roosevelt had their way during World War II when disputes arose.

Churchill favored at Bermuda a little of what his immediate fore-running had gone astray on back in 1938. Sir Neville Chamberlain had tried to talk peace with Hitler when the Nazi dictator wanted war. Of course, Churchill showed only a fraction of the hope Chamberlain had clung to, just enough to think another effort to confer with the Russians might be worthwhile.

President Eisenhower's advisers had primed the Chief Executive well before he left Washington — on how to resist the Churchill persuasive charm. Ike has had experience on that score already, for in World War II he resisted Sir Winston on several major proposals, vigorously pushed by the Prime Minister.

Ike went to the talks convinced conferring with the Russians was wasted time. Churchill did his best to convince him there was nothing but a little time to lose — in another meeting with the Reds. In the end, this time, Ike was not immovable. If the Russians are really in favor of a Big Four conference, they can have it. The results will show whether there was any reason for it, from the U. S. standpoint.

Defense Department officials are pleased with progress now being made on production of the B-32 eight-jet heavy bomber. Deputy Secretary of Defense Roger Keyes admitted as much in a recent speech, and Air Force officials are optimistic over probable performance figures for the jet giant.

Top speed for the new heavy is said to be in interests of that

attained by the heaviest U. S. Air Force jet bomber now in quantity use, the B-47. The B-47 is a medium jet bomber, and has been clocked at over 655 miles an hour.

The B-36 heavy, powered by conventional and jet auxiliary thrust, flies at speeds which are several hundred miles an hour slower than that of the B-47. It has been assumed by some that the heavy jet bomber would not be as fast as the B-47 medium, but its superior speed will put it near or beyond the 700 mile-an-hour class.

Flying at such a speed this heavy jet bomber (first deliveries of which begin late next year) could take off from New York and be over London in something over three hours. It could bomb Moscow, from bases in England, in less time than that! The new jet heavy will be so fast few fighters will be able to worry it much, until rocket interceptors are available for defensive use against it.

It can fly so high anti-aircraft and guided missiles fire will be highly inaccurate.

The automobile companies, contrary to some predictions, expect new car sales in the first half of next year to come very close to this year's sales in the same period. The mood is one of cautious optimism, now, not pessimism.

The market is expected to be highly competitive but there will be plenty of buyers for the retailer who hustles and makes a good offer. That's what it looks like in the trade, on the eve of 1954.

CORPORATE TAX YIELD

The Internal Revenue Bureau reports that a sharp drop in corporation-tax payments is holding Federal revenue collections below last year's rate. Corporation income and profits taxes totaled \$1,767,000,000 in September, compared with \$2,442,000,000 in September, 1952. This brought total corporate payments to \$2,744,000,000 since the fiscal year began July 1 — about \$1,000,000,000 below the same period of 1952.

HAWAIIAN ECONOMY

From 1939 to 1952, Hawaii's economy outpaced that of the U. S. slightly, according to the Commerce Department. Total production of goods and services in Hawaii expanded from \$270,000,000 in 1939 to \$1,050,000,000 in 1952, whereas during the same period, U. S. total production went from \$91,300,000,000 to \$348,000,000,000.

Jacques Fath, French designer: "Simplicity is the one fundamental rule for good taste."

Bible Verse to Study

"And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye?"

1. Who spoke these words?
2. Upon what occasion?
3. Where are they recorded in the Bible?
4. What is a mote?

BIBLE VERSE ANSWERS

1. Jesus.
2. Sermon on the Mount.
3. Matthew 7:3.
4. A particle or speck of dust.

THE CAVE MAN

"I don't like Bob. Last night I wanted to show him how well I could whistle, and when I puckered my lips real nice . . . "Well, what then?" "He let me whistle."

IT'S ALL DONE WITH MIRRORS

A brass band once visited a small village, and the people were delighted with it, but they couldn't make out the trombone, so they sent old Cyrus to investigate.

Old Cyrus watched the performance of the trombone player for some time. Then, he said, with a sneer, "Take no notice of him, fellows. There's a trick to it; he don't swallow the dum thing."



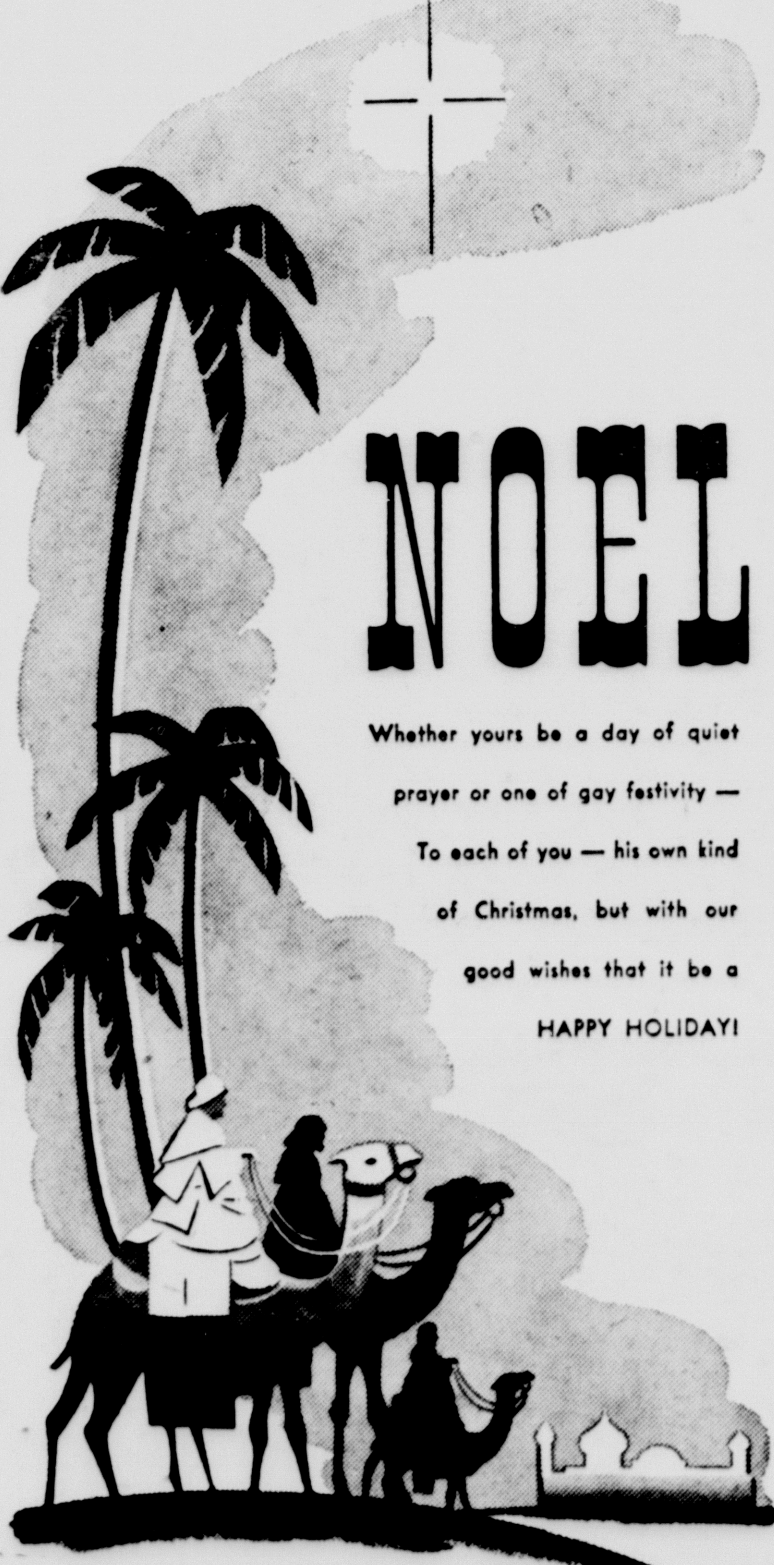
SEASON'S GREETINGS

Good friends . . . gifts given and received . . . gay voices ringing out — bells caroling "Merry Christmas" — These are the many things that add up to the true and rich spirit of the holy day — To all our friends, we say "The best of cheer for the holidays."

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NOEL

Whether yours be a day of quiet prayer or one of gay festivity — To each of you — his own kind of Christmas, but with our good wishes that it be a HAPPY HOLIDAY!

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best wishes
for the Holidays

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BEST
OF ALL
GOOD
WISHES



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Noel

May your CHRISTMAS
be a joyride of happiness
and gaiety!



K. SERVICE STATION



Not because of custom only, but from
our hearts — we extend our best wishes
to you for a wondrous, joyful Holiday!

BURROW LUMBER COMPANY

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PLANT BUILDING OFF

The Office of Defense Mobilization has reported that defense-plant expansion is still short of the Government's goal in 68 essential industries. Arthur S. Fleming, ODM Director, called on private firms in these fields to apply for "certificates of necessity" entitling them to Federal tax assistance in building up defense - important plants and equipment.

NEW JOBS

To keep pace with the nation's rapidly growing population, American industry must create 1,000,000 new jobs a year for the next 20 years, according to Earl Bunting, of the National Association of Manufacturers. Bunting predicted that the nation's present labor force of 65,000,000 will rise to 87,000,000 by 1975.

TRAFFIC TOLL

A total of 3,640 died on the highways during October, approximately the same number as in October, 1952, but the 31,060 deaths for 1953's first ten months was up one per cent from the corresponding period of last year. The ten-month toll in 1952 was 30,670.

THE B-52

The new heavy bomber, the B-52, is "faster" than even the swift medium B-47, which has flown 656 miles per hour, according to Roger M. Kyes, deputy secretary of defense. The first production models will be delivered late next year, according to Kyes.

NATURE'S WAY

The two crackmen had been toiling for hours at a tough safe. They were about to give up when one of them rose and moved toward the telephone.

"Watcha doin'?" asked his mate, alarmed.

"This is sure to work," said the first with a sigh. "I'll ask the wife to come over."

ODD AND STRANGE

Teacher — Can you tell me the name of any animal peculiar to Australia?

Boy — The rhinoceros, sir?

Teacher — Wrong. That's not found in Australia.

Boy — Well, sir, that's exactly why it would be peculiar.

Arthur W. Radford, Admiral, N. S. N., Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff: "There has been no reduction in the truly vast military force with which the Soviet Union continues to threaten the free world."

Bob Hope, radio and screen comedian: "Laughter is the special property of free men in a free land."

E. T. Chrisemer, writer: "The man who subscribes to all creeds believes none of them."

Japan will import 200,000 pounds of butter from Denmark and Canada.

The Santa Legend
Should Be Explained,
Psychologist Says

"CHILDREN enjoy Santa Claus more when they know what he really is," Duke University psychologist Dr. Gelolo McHugh says. "No one enjoys finding out that he has been kept in the dark," says the specialist in child psychology, "and children are no exception." The real meaning of Santa Claus is the joy of giving to make others happy, says Dr. McHugh, and no child should be deprived of this privilege.

Later parents have the difficult job of explaining that there is no jolly old Christmas man, Dr. McHugh points out. When the truth comes out the parent has placed himself in the position of being responsible for Santa's disappearance.

Santa should be a part of Christmas, however, Dr. McHugh believes, but from the very beginning, he should be treated as a wonderful pretend game. This method has proved successful with many children, the specialist says, including his own two young boys.

Children, who love to make-believe, are perfectly capable of enjoying Santa, reindeer, chimneys and all, while knowing in their hearts, when they stop to ask themselves, that he is a pretend person, he says.

The child who takes part in the Santa game doesn't have to wonder on Christmas morning why Santa didn't like him well enough to bring the expensive toys that were ordered from the North Pole, the psychologist points out.

The young Indianapolis mother who recently wrote a Christmas letter for her 5-year old son just before her death in an airplane crash, had wonderful understanding, Dr. McHugh says. She ended her letter by telling her little son that "anyone who loves and gives is real Santa."

Here's How To Choose
Your Christmas Tree

NEARLY 30,000,000 Christmas trees will be sold in the U. S. this year. Select one which will retain its needles well indoors. A simple treatment will keep the needles from drying out, make the tree less flammable and keep it green longer.

Choosing the tree: Select a balsam or Douglas fir. Their needles will last two or three weeks indoors. A balsam is easily identified by its fragrance, rigid branches and two thick rows of needles

which do not stab the hand. Douglas fir, the best of the firs, has long pointed red buds. Other firs have globose buds. All have soft needles. A spruce drops its needles soon after it's placed in a warm room. A Norway spruce, however, makes an ideal community Christmas tree outdoors. A white spruce is better than a Norway spruce for indoor use. Pines recognized by extra-long needles can be used. Hemlocks and junipers are of little value as Christmas trees.

Preventing needle drop: Cut at a slant an inch off the base and set the tree in a bucket of water or wet sand 24 hours before bringing it in the house. Then anchor tree firmly in a holder that contains water or moist sand. Do not place it near a radiator.

Fire precautions: (Internally)—No tree can be made completely flame-proof. Government experts suggest reducing flammability by standing tree in a solution of either ammonium sulfate, ammonium phosphate, calcium chloride or ammonium sulfamate four to six days. First weigh tree and divide by four. That will be number of pounds of material required. To each pound add one and a half pints of water. During treatment, keep tree in cool, dark place. (Externally)—Mix nine parts water glass (soluble sodium silicate) with one part water containing teaspoon of wetting agent (such as solvent soap) per quart. Dip tree into solution or spray it on tree. This will give shiny finish to needles.

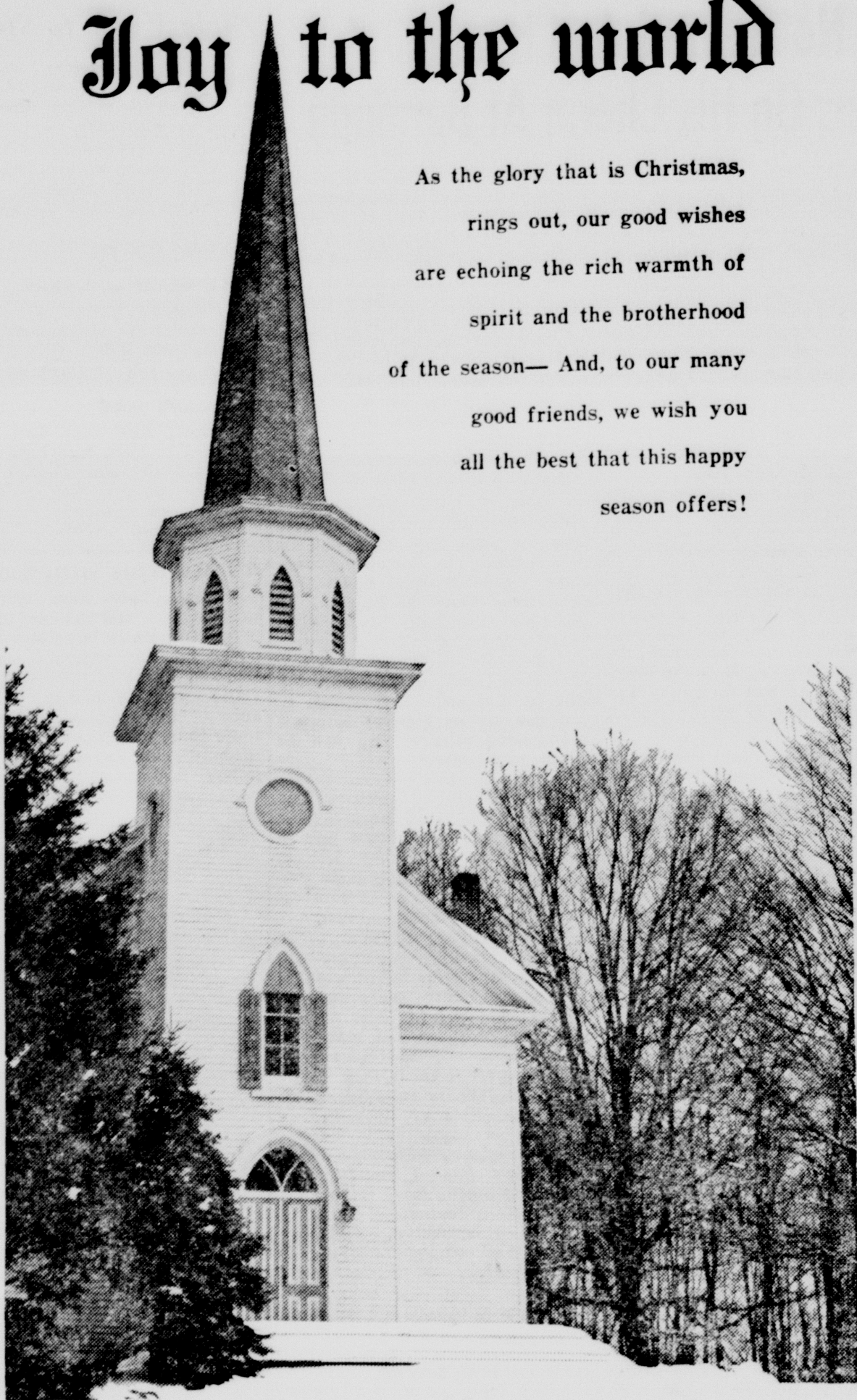
Christmas Greens: Measure height of ceiling before buying tree. If branches must be trimmed from tree, use them for door spray, mantel piece or swag for newel post.



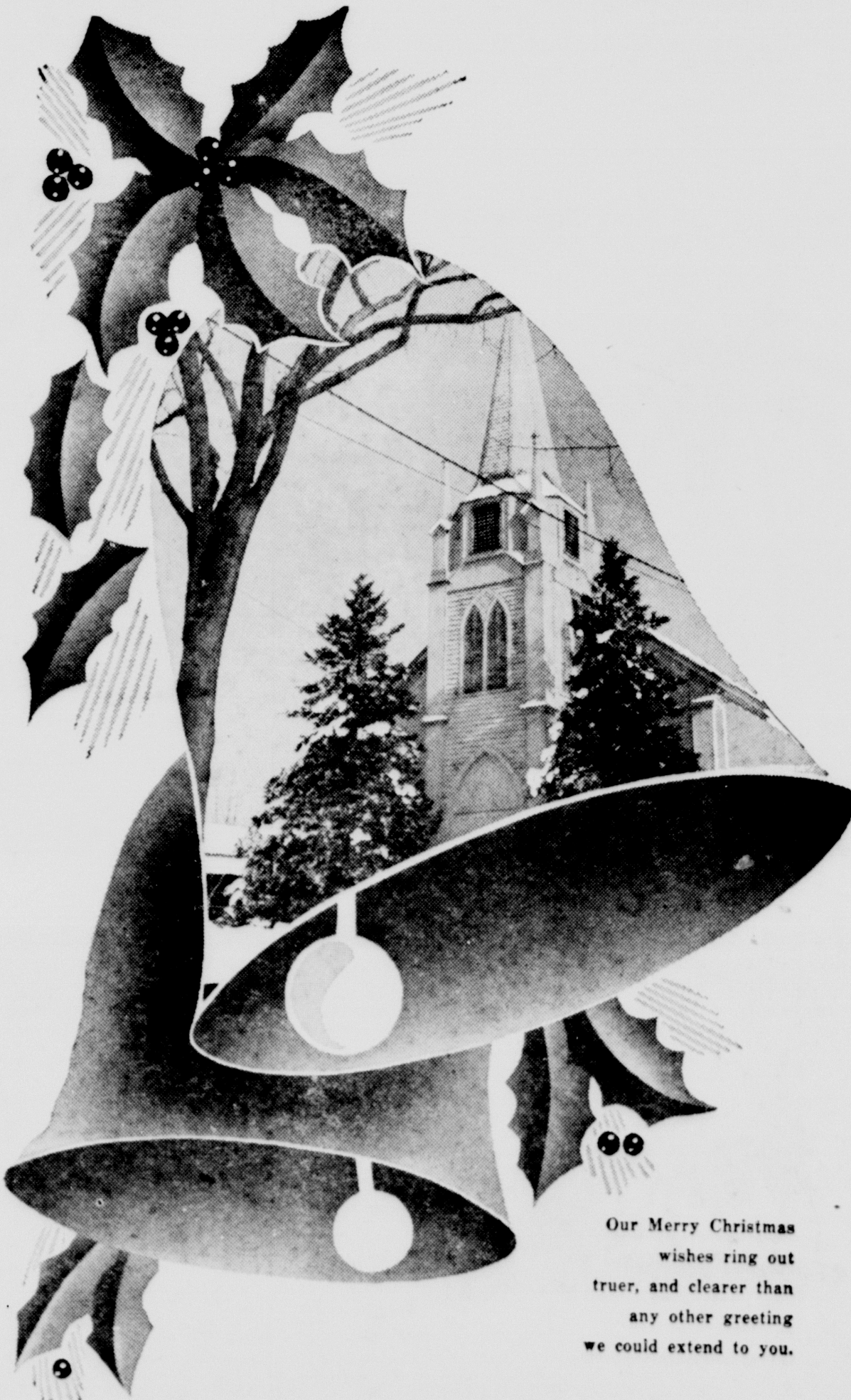
INFLATION . . . Santa supervises while one of his helpers inflates a doll. The benevolent old gent looks on with interest. Perhaps he is thinking inflation is not confined to economics.

Joy to the world

As the glory that is Christmas,
rings out, our good wishes
are echoing the rich warmth of
spirit and the brotherhood
of the season— And, to our many
good friends, we wish you
all the best that this happy
season offers!



IMPERIAL CHEVROLET CO.



Our Merry Christmas
wishes ring out
truer, and clearer than
any other greeting
we could extend to you.

WARREN'S

Letters To Santa Claus

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Santa,
I go to school at Wayside and I am in the first grade. I am a good little girl. I surely hope you can bring me a dolly with real hair that can be combed and washed. Bring all of us girls and boys lots of candy and fruit. Mary, my sister, wants a ring. Sonny wants a BB gun.

See you soon,
Your friend,
Linda Scroggins

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Santa,
I have been very good. I like you a lot. Please send me a tractor with a shovel. I would also like a racer and a set of cowboy guns.

Your dearest friend,
Gail Watson

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Old Santa,
I go to school now as I am six years old. I try to be a good little boy. Please bring me a semi-truck.

Lots of apples, oranges, nuts, and candy would please me, too. Faye and Marian want a dolly apiece and a pretty bracelet and necklace. We hope you will have these things with you Christmas Eve at the Wayside Church.

Your best friend,
Royce Tee Modisette

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

My dear Santa,
I have tried to be a good little girl. I am in the first grade. Be sure to bring me a Bride doll with pretty dresses. I want a telephone, too. My brother, Johnny, wants a cattle truck full of cows. We like fruit and candy, too. Be nice to all good little children.

Your friend,
Bettye Kennedy

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Santa,
I have been a very good little boy. I am in the fourth grade. For Christmas I would like to have a big log truck and an electric train. Good-bye for now.

Your friend,
Jimmy Schrib

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Santa Claus,
I am now six years old and am

in the second grade at Wayside. I try to be a very good girl. Could you bring me a type writer this year? I want a fringed leather jacket and a pair of boots, too. Elmer, my little dog, needs a new rubber bone.

We want some candy and fruit, too. Be sure to visit all children every where.

Your little friend,
Frances Heisler

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear old fat Santa,
Just a note to remind you that I have been extra good for a whole year. Couldn't you bring me a bicycle? I'd like mighty much to have a road grader machine that moves dirt. I think I need a pair of levis, a cowboy shirt and a hat. Boots would be nice too. Feed Rudolph well so his nose will stay bright and shiny in the fog. Then you won't lose your way.

Your friend,
Kon Hamblen

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

My dear friend Santa,
Maybe I had better remind you that I have been a good boy. I am in the second grade. First and most important on my list for you to bring is a bicycle. Then I want a cowboy hat, a pair of levis, and a western shirt. With this bring some Christmas goodies. I'll write you again next year.

Bye,
Don Hamblen

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Santa,
I am a little girl eight years old. I am in the third grade. Maybe, Santa, I have been good enough that you will bring me a few things. First, I want a really pretty dolly. Next, a table and chair of my very own would be fun. Then a play type writer and a pair of red house shoes complete my list. I hope you visit all little girls and boys.

Your friend,
Laraine Newsom

Wayside School
Dec. 7, 1953

Dear Santa,
I am 8 years old. I have been a pretty good boy this year. I would like to have a pocketwatch and I want a filling station, too. How are your reindeers? I hope Rudolph is all right, too. If he isn't all right, feed him some spinach to get him strong so that he can pull your sled on Christmas Eve.

The boy who tried to be good this year.
Love, your friend,
Richie Kennedy

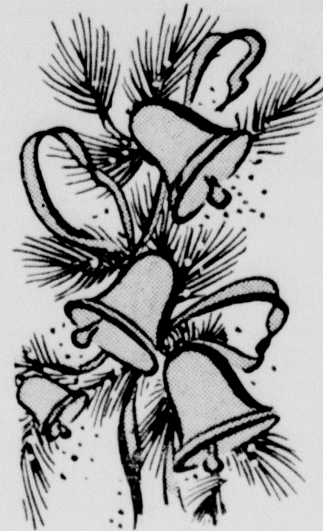
Should Have Taken the Express
Miss Marion MacKenzie was a passenger on the evening train Friday night where she will spend a week with her friend, Nina Caldwell.

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

I'll Have a Slice of That



OFF THE TREE—Paddle Ears, a baby chimpanzee, has his dinner right off a banana tree in the jungle gardens of Ponce de Leon Springs, Fla. Holding the chimp is Nancy Stech of Montgomery, Ala.



Greetings of the Season.
Monarch Cleaners

Genghis Kahn conquered Asia in the 13th century. Correct height for a tennis net is three feet.

Aanastas I. Mikoyan, Soviet Minister of Domestic Trade: "The Soviet Union must not adopt the capitalist way of fooling people by exaggerated publicity."

Edgar S. Vaught, U. S. District Judge, deploring juvenile crime: "There just is no proper substitute for the old-fashioned woodshed where the shingle was used for something besides covering the roof."

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NEWS LETTER

FROM CONGRESSMAN WALTER ROGERS
OF THE 18th CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Christmas Approaches

As usual, the approach of the Christmas season finds yours truly totally unprepared. Every year I make a pledge that it is going to be different next year and that all of my Christmas business will be attended to not later than December 1 and the worries will be over.

However, I suppose this is wholly impossible, as I have been trying it now for some 40-odd years, and it always works out the same. This year is no different and Jean and I have been running from one store to another trying to find the necessities to partially comply with some of the expressed desires of the children.

It is quite a varied allotment. The older ones are not such a problem, but the desires of the younger ones change daily as new worlds unfold before their eyes in each store. We have tried to keep them confined to two or three stores, but this is wholly impossible.

One of them wants a hot rod, another wants electronics equipment, the 12-year-old girl wants quite an array of pretty clothes. I guess all women are alike, beginning in their early ages.

The red-headed boy wants a dog and the two little ones want everything they see. I have been planning on taking them to the Smithsonian zoo, but am afraid to do it this close to Christmas. It will have to wait until after the first of the year, as I certainly don't want to have the responsibility of burdening Santa Claus with a camel, a monkey or an elephant.

Jean suggested that it would simplify matters if we put all of our names in a hat and each one drew and gave a present to the name that they drew. It sounded like a pretty good suggestion, but the general discussion of the matter immediately brought forth a veto that would compare with a Vishinsky veto of a good plan for peace.

The discussion took place at the dinner table and reminded me of some of the UN meetings, where everybody was trying to talk at once and nobody was listening to what the other one said. The results were the same as some of those meetings, that is, we got nowhere, and it presently appears that everybody is going to give somebody else a gift. But all things considered, it looks like the Rogers family is going to have a very merry Christmas, for which we are all deeply thankful and hope that everyone else is equally blessed.

The President's Speech Before The UN

The comments on President Eisenhower's speech before the UN concerning the dangers of the atomic age and what should be done met with approval on all sides. As many said, it was certainly a step in the right direction.

However, President Eisenhower, able as he is, could not begin to touch upon the many complex problems that will be involved in such an over-all plan. It would be wonderful if the efforts of mankind could be devoted, as he suggested, to the peace and welfare of humans and to the betterment of civilization.

This, of course, can only be realized if the peoples of the world cooperate with each other toward that end. Such cooperation immediately creates in the minds of World Government theorists the possibility of forming the World Government of which they dream. This immediately sets off the spark of reaction in the minds of those who are violently opposed to World Government, and the battle is joined.

We then get into a head-butting contest that results in headaches with no progress in the solution of the problem involved. Certainly this country cannot subordinate itself to an over-all world government federation. Each country must stand upon its own feet and build its own strength as an independent nation. Certainly cooperation between the several nations is necessary for building this strength, but a joining of all the

nations in a world government would serve not only to weaken the nations that have remained independent and strong, but would create a world social problem that would contribute greatly to the socialistic and communistic doctrines.

The Eisenhower speech laid it on the line to Russia and Red China insofar as peace is concerned. It is their move and the eyes of all peace-loving peoples are focused on them. How they will meet this challenge to put up or shut up may well determine the trend of events for the next decade.

Saving banks interest rates are seen moving higher.

A primogenitor is an ancestor.

Authorities Give Explanation on Conserving Soil

WASHINGTON: Administrators C. M. Ferguson and D. A. Williams of the Federal Extension Service and Soil Conservation Service, respectively, today released a joint statement dealing with the relationship of the two services. "We regard," they said, "this statement as a significant expression of the cooperative relationship between the two agencies."

Their statement follows: "The conservation and proper care and development of our soils is basic to the economic well-being of families now farming and ranching and those who are to follow. It is essential to the future of the nation's food supply and to the continued expansion of efficient food and fiber production to meet our ever-growing population needs."

The reorganization of the Soil Conservation Service is designed

to carry forward a more effective national program and to strengthen the work in each state. It does not change in any way the functions of the SCS in carrying out a national program of soil and water conservation primarily through soil conservation districts. The Soil Conservation Service and the Extension Service continue to have the responsibility for effective cooperation at county, state, and national levels. Both services will look to the state experiment stations and to the Agricultural Research Service of the Department for improved technology through which to assist local people in handling their programs.

The work of the Extension Service and the Soil Conservation Service will succeed only with the enthusiastic, wholehearted support and efforts of farm and ranch people. Both require the continued development of well-informed leadership in soil conservation districts, farm organizations, planning committees, and other such groups.

The use of the soil and water

resources must dovetail into and provide a base for sound farm management, cropping practices, livestock management, machinery requirements, building needs, and marketing opportunities, while at the same time conserving and improving those basic resources.

These objectives will be accomplished only through the closest possible kind of teamwork between the technical assistance of the Soil Conservation Service and Extension's teaching, through demonstration and other means of education, to encourage farmers to adopt farm practices consistent with the sound use of land and water resources.

Such teamwork will result only from harmonious interagency relations. These relations do not occur by chance. They develop and come to full fruition through every-day on-the-job teamwork, with a common objective and the best interests of the farmer and the rancher, his family, his land, and other resources in mind.

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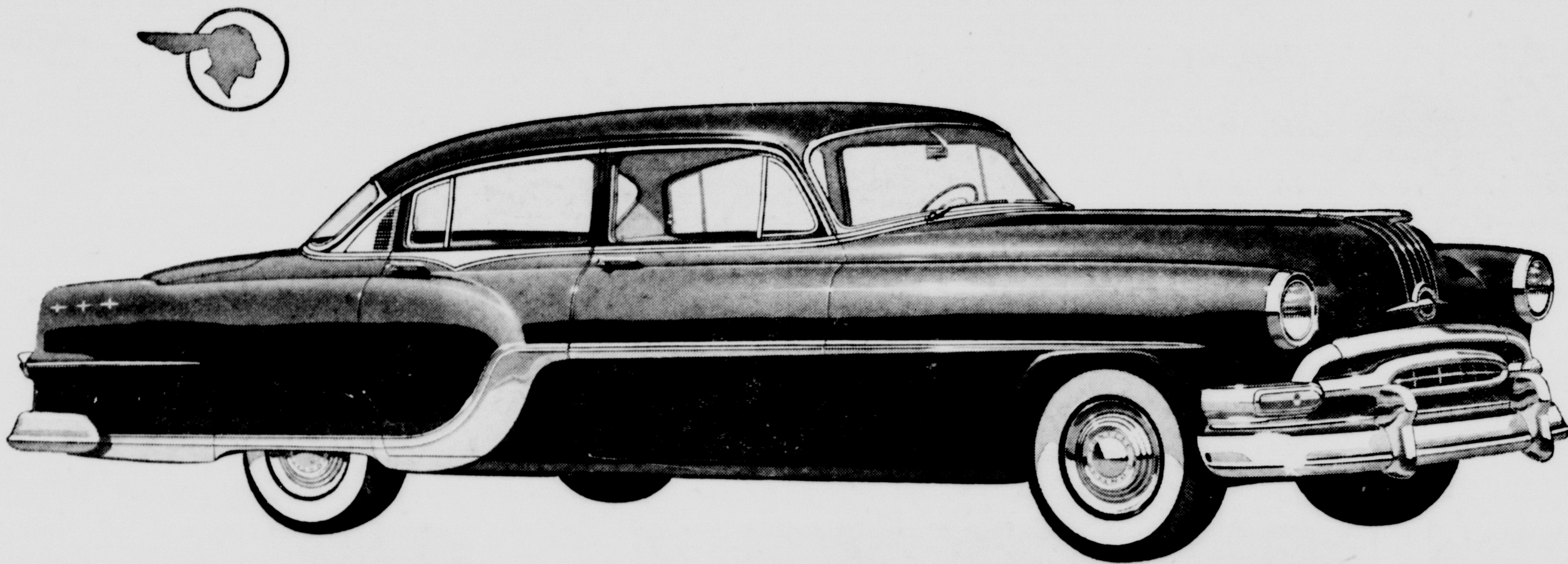
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look of luxury for which motorists have paid several thousands more than the modest cost of the new Star Chief.

Add to all this an even mightier Pontiac engine and you will understand why you should not only see, but drive, this magnificent new car at the earliest possible moment.

See the completely new Star Chief this weekend, along with the wonderfully improved Chieftain Series—General Motors lowest priced eight and the famous economy six. Together, they amply demonstrate that, whatever you prize most in an automobile, dollar for dollar—you can't beat a Pontiac.

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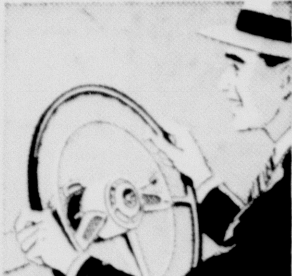
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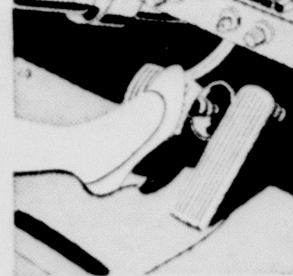
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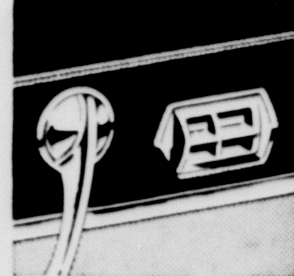
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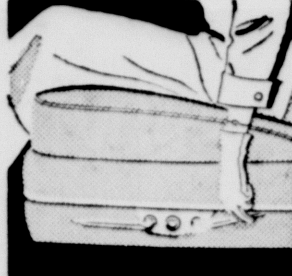
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By VERN SANFORD
Texas Press Association

AUSTIN: Prospective liberal and conservative candidates were steaming up the race for governor this week on the heels of a declaration by Attorney General John Ben Shepherd that he is out of the running.

John C. White, 29-year-old agriculture commissioner, had his hat ready for tossing by saying that many people had asked him to run for governor and that he is giving the matter "serious thought."

"I will offer my services where I believe I can do the most good for all the people of Texas," he asserted.

AS AN OUTSPOKEN critic of the Republican administration and the state's cross-filing election system, White is considered a party liberal.

He also has criticized the Legislature for failure to increase teachers' pay and pass effective water laws.

Another liberal prospect for the race, Ralph Yarborough of Austin, took a crack at the state investigation of Communists.

He charged that the probe of alleged Communist infiltration of some labor unions was politically inspired. Yarborough ran against Governor Allan Shivers last year.

IN ELIMINATING himself from the race, Shepherd declared:

"The term politics has been rather loosely charged in connection with the investigation of these Communist front organizations and I am taking the term politics out of it."

Subsequent to this surprise announcement, Speaker of the House Reuben Senterfitt said that mail backing him for governor had sharply increased.

Senterfitt, San Saba lawyer and Speaker for two terms, is the only one who has definitely stated that he intends to seek the governorship.

Political observers have speculated that if his campaign catches on, Governor Shivers will not run for a third term.

YOUNG DEMOCRATS of Texas tried to iron out their differences. There were two groups involved, representing the liberal and conservative factions of the party.

Representatives of both were denied seats at the recent national convention of the organization at St. Paul.

Since that time, a committee with members from the rival camps has been shaped, and a meeting was held Tuesday in Austin to try for harmony and national party recognition.

REPUBLICANS IN Texas, who must hold a primary election in 1954 for the first time in 20 years, are expected to cross-file conservative Democrats where they are available.

Cross-filing means the listing of a candidate's name under both the Democratic and Republican columns on the ballot.

Carlos Watson of Brownsville, attorney for the Republican State

Executive Committee, told a meeting of that group that the party must hold a primary next year because their candidate for governor polled more than 200,000 votes in the last election.

Their candidate was Allan Shivers (cross-filed), who had 468,319 votes on the Republican ticket and 1,375,547 on the Democratic ticket.

LAWS "with teeth in them" to prevent Communist influence of Texas labor unions will be drawn up by a legal advisory committee of three.

That was the outcome of the Texas Industrial Commission's investigation into communistic aspects of three national labor unions trying to enter the state.

Committee members are Martin Harris, Austin attorney named by Everett L. Looney, president of the state bar; L. N. D. Wells, Jr., of Dallas, named by the Texas Federation of Labor; and Attorney General John Ben Shepherd.

Following its hearing, the commission issued a statement that the attempt of three unions under communist influence or domination shows a "clear and present danger" to Texas.

Present laws of the state, the commission found, are inadequate to cope with the infiltration of subversive elements.

Specifically under study were the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, the International Fur and Leather Workers, and the Distributive, Processing, and Office Workers of America.

Members of the commission were Chairman C. E. Fulgham of Lubbock, Walter Buckner of San Marcos, L. E. Page of Carthage, E. G. Rodman, Sr., of Odessa, and William J. Harris of Dallas.

ANYTHING WRONG in advertising spectacles for sale?

Yes, says the State Board of Examiners in Optometry. The board plans to limit such advertising to the listing of the names and addresses of optometry shops.

No, said the Legislature, which at its last session refused to pass a bill limiting optometry advertising.

No, says Representative Paul I. Hill of Smith County, who says that a lawsuit will probably result if the board's ruling goes into effect. Hill says that as a member of the Legislature he voted against the measure because "it was an attempt to stifle legitimate business."

Some other opinion: State Senator Warren McDonald of Tyler "can't see any harm in advertising glasses." Representative Bill Wood of Smith and Gregg Counties thinks the attorney general should be asked for an opinion and the optometry board should be guided by it.

CHAIRMAN E. H. THORNTON of the Texas Highway Commission re-stated an old state problem at a convention of the County Judges and Commissioners Association in Dallas.

More roads are a primary need, said Thornton, and that means more money. The chairman added:

"We must have an increase in income at the state level if the people of Texas are to continue to enjoy an adequate system of roads."

Congressman Lloyd M. Bentsen, Jr., of McAllen, speaking at the same meeting, suggested a solution: That the entire collection of federal gasoline taxes be turned over to the states to finance local road building.

That would suit Texas. We pay the federal government a lot more in gasoline taxes than we get back in terms of federal aid for roads.

SHORT SNORTS: Judge J. E. Sturrock, manager of the Texas Water Conservation Association, spoke at a conference in Washington and advocated state and local, rather than federal administration of water projects. . . . Col. Homer Garrison, Jr., director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, hopes that people will hurry up and get their cars inspected, so that there will not be a crush at the deadline, April 15. . . . Authority of Charles Tennyson, executive secretary of the Texas State Teachers Association, was reduced at a convention of the group in Dallas.

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Attorney General Attempts to Cram Segregation Down Throats

By STANLEY JAMES

WASHINGTON: Some Democratic politicians claim the Republicans have lost their chance to consolidate their strength in the here-tofore "solid" South, because Attorney General Herbert Brownell has asked the Supreme Court to outlaw racial segregation in the public schools.

Republican leaders are divided in their opinions about the effect of Brownell's action. One official, interviewed at Republican national headquarters but declining the use of his name for publication, admitted he had been receiving a flood of complaints from Southerners-for-Eisenhower ever since the Attorney General filed his brief.

This official said these Southerners had expected the new administration would uphold the states' power to run their schools, or at least would have adopted a neutral attitude, since the President had made strong states' rights speeches during his 1952 campaign in the South. Such Southerners now feel that they have been "sold down the river."

On the other hand, other Southerners are sticking fast to Eisenhower, saying that Brownell did nothing more than his predecessor in the Truman administration — former Attorney General James P. McGranery. So, they say, both parties are equal on this issue but Eisenhower is preferable to a "Truman Democrat."

Negroes in the North have generally voted Republican since Abraham Lincoln issued the Emancipation Proclamation and the Republican Congress gave them the vote. But Franklin D. Roosevelt's New Deal brought many of them over

to the Democratic side, where they stayed, for the most part, in the 1952 elections.

Some Democrats say the Negroes will continue with them on economic issues, as well as civil rights — that the Republicans cannot win them back. The result of the argument will no doubt appear in the elections of the next few years.

Happy Birthday

December 24

Mrs. Clarence E. Thompson
Fern Sanders
Mrs. J. V. Williams
Mrs. A. B. Russell
Arvie Edward Marshall
Mrs. W. L. Browning
Rex Lawley
Mrs. C. C. Shelnutt

December 25

Loyce Merle Dickerson
Clyde Fewell
Joe Don Ficke
Ruby Garcia
Mrs. Paul White
Emerson E. Owen
Mrs. S. R. Hood

December 26

Mary Orton
Richard Walters
Silas Hart
Betty Ann Simon
Jimmy Dale McBroom
Frank Scales
Phyllis Dugan
J. E. Keenan
Michael Joe Cullender
Mary Owens

December 27

Mrs. Bill Howse
Mrs. Marvin Fite
Raynelle Rigby Hinds
Mrs. S. B. Loudder
Roy S. Franklin, Jr.

December 28

Theresa Nell Smith
Mrs. Bill Smith
Coyle F. Shenefelt
Marsene Penick Ford
Mrs. Herbert Gerdson
David Dowd Carter

December 29

Mrs. J. M. Breitting
Mrs. Herschel Coffee
Frieda Menke
Thomas Boling
Mrs. Victor Steen
Elmer Gene Mickey

December 30

Joe Cook
Earl Gene Peppard
Mrs. Dale Wegrich
Neil Kilchrist
Jeanette Shelnutt

Sports Quiz

1. In the last AP poll, what football team ranked number one?
2. What team ranked fourth?
3. Who is Garth Panter?
4. In what sports does the Davis Cup figure?
5. Who is Billy Talbert?

THE ANSWERS:

1. Maryland.
2. Oklahoma.
3. Promising middleweight boxer.
4. Tennis.
5. Captain of the U. S. Davis Cup team.

SOME PEOPLE!

A veteran is advertising his four-month-old house for sale because the basement floor and walls are cracked, the doors won't close, the furnace smokes, the garage leans, and the porches are falling off. As the real-estate lobby will be quick to point out, some people expect perfection.

Select your house mail box at Burrow Lumber Co. 161f



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

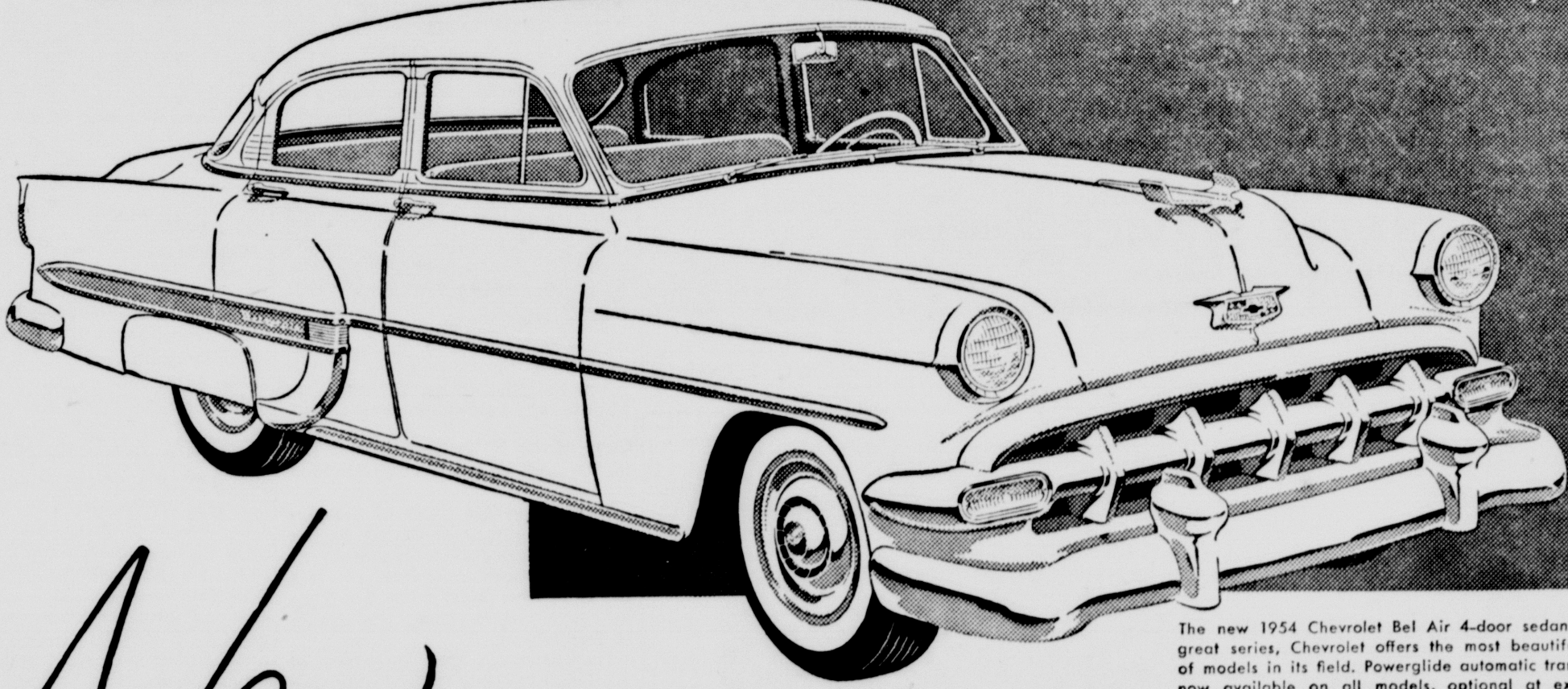
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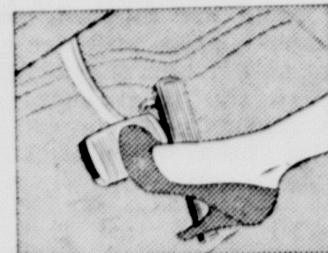


The new 1954 Chevrolet Bel Air 4-door sedan. With 3 great series, Chevrolet offers the most beautiful choice of models in its field. Powerglide automatic transmission now available on all models, optional at extra cost.

New 1954 Chevrolet

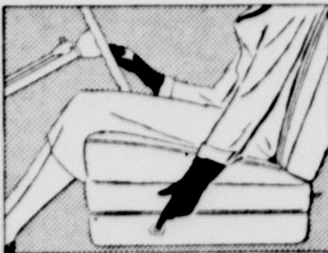
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Power brakes for easier stops

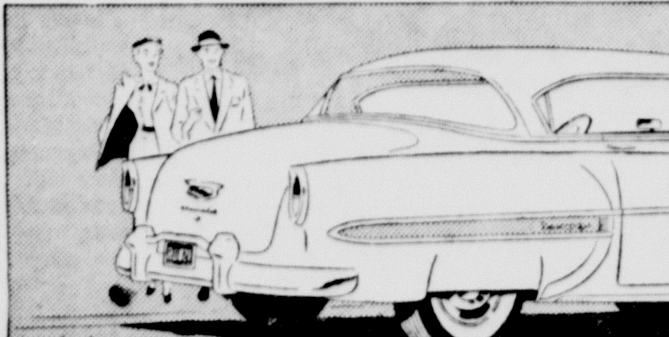
Now Chevrolet brings you Power Brakes to make stopping wonderfully easy and convenient. Optional on Powerglide models at extra cost.



New, automatic window and seat controls

The touch of a button adjusts front seat and windows. Optional on Bel Air and "Two-Ten" models at extra cost.

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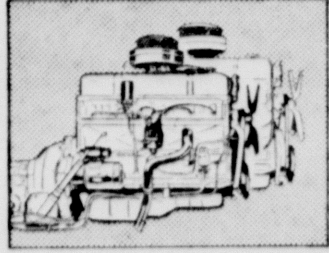


New styling that will stay new

There's a new, lower, smarter look about this new Chevrolet. All around the car, you'll see new styling that brings you Fisher Body at its beautiful best.

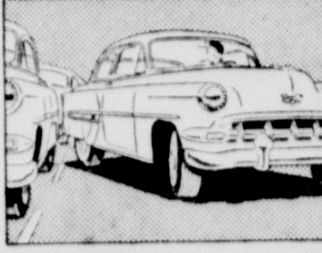
New interior richness

Fine new upholstery fabrics with a more liberal use of beautiful, durable vinyl trim. New color treatments in harmony with the brilliant new exterior colors.



Thrifty new power in all models

Now, in Powerglide models, is the more powerful "Blue-Flame 125" engine. Gearshift models offer the more powerful "Blue-Flame 115."



New, lower price on power steering

Chevrolet Power Steering now reduced in price! It does 80% of the work to give you easy, sure control. Optional at extra cost on all models.

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Who Is Owner of "The Mystery Farm" of This Week



A wide cluster of buildings is the first impression you get upon looking at the picture of Mystery Farm No. 39. On second look you'll find the front of the house near the picture's border on the left. The more you look the nicer the place appears and there are many identifying clues for you. After a good look at the place, see if you guess who owns it. The owner will get a free 5x7 black and white gloss photo by calling at The News office and identifying his place, Mystery Farm No. 39.

NO GRATITUDE

Shawnee, Okla. — Seeing an injured skunk on the street, two kind policemen, believing him to be a deodorized pet, picked up the striped kitty and took him to police headquarters at the City Hall. Showing no gratitude whatever, the skunk let loose a blast which sent Officers Ernie Coleman and Henry Shelton scurrying for cover.

Now nobody at City Hall will associate with them.

IDENTICAL TWINS

Los Angeles.—Eugene Glasband, 36, had his appendix removed one morning. His twin, Victor, began having pains shortly afterwards and underwent surgery that evening. They shared the same hospital room. The brothers said they

both began getting gray hair at the exact time, the corrections for eye-glasses are identical and the same corresponding teeth have been pulled and filled.

EFFECTIVE DUCK CALL

Glenwood Springs, Colo.—Lyle Call, an auto dealer, duck-hunting with two friends, was in a willow blind when a flock of ducks circled overhead. Call blew a few notes on his duck call and the flock came in for a landing. To Call's surprise, a big Mallard drake flew straight for the blind and landed on Call's lap. Call dispatched the fowl in an unorthodox manner.

NAME NO AD

Columbus, Ind. — The driver of a bakery truck which circulates throughout this southern Indiana community is Ralph Drybread.

A baby's first set of teeth is present at birth.



CHRISTMAS FEAST . . . The toys have been opened and church services are over. Now, it's time for that Christmas feast and a turkey drumstick.

Bethlehem Rites Feature March To Nativity Cave

CHRISTMAS is observed in Bethlehem on December 25 by the Roman Catholics and Protestants, on January 6, by the Greek Orthodox and affiliated churches, and on January 18 by the Armenians.

All Bethlehem, however, turns out on December 24 for the arrival of the Patriarch of Jerusalem—Cardinal of the Holy Land—who each year brings an ancient effigy of the Infant Jesus to Bethlehem which he lays in the manger within the cave where Christ was born.

Dramatically the procession approaches: heralded by a single horseman, his banner streaming aloft. A corps of native police mounted upon fiery Arabian horses follow and then another single horseman upon a prancing black steed carrying the cross on high; the Patriarch in his cardinal and ermine, mitred bishops, clergy in embroidered vestments and white robes acolytes—swinging golden censers—precede the jeweled pavilion of the Holy Child. Magnificent corteges of government officials, foreign embassies, bands, religious organizations follow, and finally, American-made automobiles mingle with native two-wheeled carriages.

The procession enters the Church of the Nativity. The public is not permitted to witness the actual placing of the effigy, as that part of the Church—built above the

Cave of the Nativity—is under the jurisdiction of the Greek Orthodox church.

The grotto-like Cave of the Nativity in no way conforms to the modern conception of a "stable;" in biblical times, however, shelters for man and beast were hewn into rocky ledges—thus, the Stable of Bethlehem.

On Christmas Eve, members of all denominations assemble to sing carols above the birthplace of the Holy Child before midnight mass is solemnized in the Church of the Nativity.

Yule Tree Business Figured in Millions

CHRISTMAS TREES are a multi-million dollar business. Throughout the nation, some 15 million trees are supplied to the holiday demand. Prices range from \$1 to \$5, and that adds up to real money.

A Christmas tree, in the lake states, is usually a balsam or a spruce. The same is true in New England and the Appalachian section. Elsewhere in the country, virtually all kinds of evergreens are used.

The lodgepole pine and Douglas fir are frequently used in Colorado. On the Pacific coast, it is principally Douglas fir.

In Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D. C., a scrub pine takes a trimming.

In other localities, white pine, southern pine, hemlock, red and white cedar and redwood are used.

The business of harvesting this annual crop begins in the fall, when cutters go into the woods after trees. It continues as truckers bring huge loads to metropolitan markets.

Many land owners manage their swamps to make them yield a crop of trees year after year. Thinning operations are another source of Yule trees.

Farmers have discovered that they can get a cash crop from eroded acres by harvesting Christmas trees 10 or 15 years after they are planted.

'Hansel and Gretel' Join the Procession

The original score of "Hansel and Gretel" was composed by Engelbert Humperdinck as a Christmas piece.

The musical fairy tale created a sensation.

Since Humperdinck was one of Wagner's most intimate assistants, his harmonies have been dubbed "nursery rhymes — Wagnerian style" and since fairy tales and nursery rhymes are appropriate at Christmas, "Hansel and Gretel" has joined the procession of traditional Christmas music.



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RECORDING SPEEDOMETERS

Gov. Dan Thornton, of Colorado, has made a proposal which is sure to be unpopular with motorists. He has asked the Colorado Legislature to consider a proposal that all automobile owners be required to install recording speedometers, which would make a permanent record of all speeds traveled. Periodic inspections would be made by the State and if the speedometers showed any speed in excess of the legal limit, the motorists would be fined.

INDIA-RUSSIA PACT

India and Russia have signed a five-year trade agreement — the first between the two countries. According to an Indian government communique, the agreement provided for "every possible development" and strengthening of trade relations between both countries on principles of equality and mutual benefit.

HE MISSED "SOMETHING"

Romeo, Mich. — Stopped by State police and asked if he was "missing something" Russell L. Gokel, of East Detroit, couldn't imagine what he was missing. However, 17 miles before he had stopped at a filling station and his 11-year-old daughter Karen, who had been asleep in the back seat, had gotten out of the car unnoticed. Gokel paid for the gas and sped away, leaving Karen behind.

BAGS DEER—AT HOME

Deer Lake, Pa. — For 27 years Mrs. Mary Vacula has gone deer hunting every season, but never shot a deer. Recently she stayed home while her husband, Steve, went deer hunting with five male companions. However, Mrs. Vacula spotted a five point buck from her back porch, got her gun and shot the deer. Husband Steven came home empty-handed.

NOT YET

Springfield, Mass. — Dr. Philip B. Cove, general editor of the Merriam-Webster Dictionary, says the word "McCarthyism" will not get into the dictionary "for a few years, perhaps even a decade." This announcement followed a statement by former President Harry Truman that "McCarthyism" had taken on a dictionary meaning in the world.

A GENEROUS STORK

Franklin, Ind. — During a farm livestock sale, arranged by Mrs. Thomas O. Owens and C. L. Poynter, Jr., the stork arrived and presented a Brown Swiss cow with twin calves. Three days earlier a Holstein bore twins, and a week earlier two sows had litters. All of the mothers and their little dividends were sold.

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NEWS LETTER

FROM CONGRESSMAN WALTER ROGERS
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Holiday Season in the Capital

The budding Christmas spirit of the past few weeks is fast coming into full bloom in the capital. Christmas trees are springing up on almost every vacant lot in sight, new and fancier decorations are appearing nightly on an ever-increasing number of homes, the fabulous store decorations seem prettier every time you look at them, and the sparkle in the eyes of the undisciplined youngsters grows brighter each minute.

All the churches glow with warmth and lights as the spirit of Christmas engulfs God's children and awakens them to their many spiritual failures during the past year. The fellowship of man becomes a reality, bitterness and hatred is forgotten. Man becomes the creature that God intended him to be, a true follower and practitioner of the teachings of Christ. It is this spirit and this feeling that must be the foundation of peace on earth.

Christmas here is no different from Christmas in every community in this nation and other Christian nations. The one exception, if any, is the fact that in our capital, which could probably be designated as the present capital of the world, every nationality and every walk of life is represented. Even those who come from countries that are not Christian seem to be victims of the good will that permeates the very atmosphere. The nationalities are different, but the spirit during this season is the same.

Members Beginning to Return

Senators and Members of the House are beginning to return to Washington in preparation for the coming session. Those whose districts are relatively close can spend Christmas at home. However, many who love long distances from the capital find it necessary to return here during the latter part of December in order to have their offices and working staffs in order to begin the session.

Most everyone expects the fireworks to begin with the opening of Congress and to continue throughout the session.

The President is formulating and putting the final touches on the program that he will present to Congress. He is presently meeting with the leaders of his own party and working out the plans to be employed in pushing the program through with the least possible difficulty.

The advisory committees that he has appointed on the several problems, including agriculture, labor, housing, social security and others, are completing their proposals and submitting them to the departments having jurisdiction over the particular subject matter. Some of these proposals will be recommended to the President for approval without change. However, some of the department heads will delete from or add to those proposals in making recommendations to the President. The final results will be pointed out in the President's State of the Union message to Congress when it convenes.

Congress is expecting firm and definite proposals and recommendations from the President concerning both domestic and foreign matters. It is hoped that these will be forthcoming and that the recommendations will not be in general and ambiguous terms subject to several constructions.

For instance, the blanket statement by the Executive Department that economies must be effected, waste must be stopped, and expenditures of government lessened, means very little unless the Executive Department points out to

the Congress and specifies the items that would be proper subjects for such action. This is so, simply because the executive branch of the government is charged with the administration or operation of the government.

Therefore, it is in the best position to know and properly appreciate where economies could be effected, where waste is present, and where expenditures for government can be cut. Under our system of government it was intended that tremendous weight be given to the recommendations of the executive branch of our government concerning these and other items incident to the administration and operation of the government.

Complete cooperation between the legislative and the executive branch in effecting economies, curtailing waste, and decreasing expenditures is essential to maintain proper government and to insure efficiency, at the least possible cost to the taxpayer.

Merry Christmas

This letter will reach you shortly before you celebrate Christmas, and I want to extend to all of you the very best wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the entire Rogers family—Jean, myself, John, Bubby, Susan, Tommy, Robert and Mary Catherine.

Inspect Car Ere You Take to the Texas Highways

AUSTIN: Don't let an unsafe car ruin your Christmas plans. Before starting on that holiday trip make sure that you will reach your destination by having your car inspected, G. C. Morris, executive director of the Highway Safety Council, cautioned this week.

"Accident figures show that one traffic death in every ten in Texas is caused by faulty mechanism," Morris pointed out. According to the Department of Public Safety, about half of the cars inspected so far have required minor repairs.

Headlights, brakes, horns, rear view mirrors, and wind-shield wipers—all vitally important during the winter months—must be checked before April 15, in accordance with the Texas Motor Inspection Law, Morris said.

Drivers who are not planning trips should take advantage of the holidays and avoid the rush on car inspection stations that will come after the Christmas season, Morris urged. With only 14 per cent of the cars having been inspected, the remaining 86 per cent will have only three and a half months left before the deadline.

Morris urged holiday drivers also to drive carefully, obeying traffic laws and observing the simple courtesies of the road.

"Each year at what is supposed to be our most joyous season, we cripple and kill more and more people in traffic," Morris said. "The Department of Public Safety has estimated that this Christmas will be no exception—that 100 persons will lose their lives. This need not be the result. It can be avoided if we drive carefully, and most important, if we drive soberly. Don't take chances with your life or the lives of others."

Miss Marilyn Alice Payne left Tuesday night for Dallas where she will visit in the home of her brother, H. R. Payne. From Dallas she will go by plane to Edinburgh to visit with her niece, Mr. and Mrs. Harold L. Young. Mr. Young is the former Jeanne Payne. She is active in child welfare work.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Jones and children of Childress spent Tuesday night with her mother, Mrs. Earline Moreland. Mrs. Moreland left this morning by plane for New York to spend the holidays with her other daughter, Mrs. Tommie Thompson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Smith and Miss Margaret Hand of Faben are spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Redmond Hand. Miss Margaret is playing violin with the El Paso Symphony Orchestra this winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boston and Donn of Austin are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wimberly.

Miss Frances Alice Harp, who is teaching in Lovington, N. M., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Harp.

Mrs. Dale Wegrick of Richmond, Va., is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Standley.

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Benevolence is man's mind, and righteousness is man's path. —Mencius

FFA Giving Time, Money for Santa

The FFA boys are working on a doubleheader Christmas project. Once again as last year they are rounding up slightly damaged toys to re-paint and repair, and distribute to youngsters in the community for a more enjoyable Christmas. The other part of the project is a 25 cents contribution from each FFA member to Boys Ranch for the purpose of constructing a vocational building for the young waddies.

The FFA and its community service committee started last year collecting discarded toys and repairing them for youngsters in the community. Many of the toys are only outgrown by their owners and just need a new coat of paint. This work is done by the FFA who also distribute the toys immediately before Christmas.

Last year the boys repaired and gave two bicycles to kids in the community. This year the list has grown and they have approximately a dozen toys for the youngsters. Lloyd Devin, head of the FFA chapter, said the boys financed this activity and enjoyed it very much.

Contributions to Boys Ranch come from all the FFA members of Area 1. There are approximately 4,000 members giving 25 cents each. This will amount to \$1,000 for the area. Devin said this chapter's check was mailed Tuesday morning. All checks are supposed to be mailed to Area 1 headquarters in time to be sent to Boys Ranch before Christmas day. The boys plan to add to this contribution each year until they have an excellent vocational school at Boys Ranch. Last year FFA boys gave Boys Ranch a beef a month for eight months.

Johnstons-Pounds Visit Boys Ranch Christmas Party

Friday night, Dec. 18, Sheriff and Mrs. L. S. Johnston and Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Lem Pounds attended the annual Boys Ranch Christmas party. The foursome was met at the Boys Ranch gate by 13-year-old John Edward Downing who acted as the general guide through the ranch facilities.

First stop the group made was at the barn where saddles are kept. Johnston reported that one of the striking features noticed here was the cleanliness of the place. At the barn they received a special guide, 14-year-old Calloway Quinn. He showed the party the nativity scene the boys had arranged. It was complete to the babe in the manger and the donkeys and cows in the stable.

Leaving the barn the group next went to one of the barracks buildings. The first barracks the group visited housed 53 boys. From there they went to the boot hill barracks where 40 boys stay. Next stop was the storage room where clothes, equipment, and food is kept. Their special guide here was 13-year-old George Schmit. He explained the technicalities of storing the equipment like a professional merchandising salesman, according to Johnston. The group also visited the new rock barracks where the top hands live.

Next spot visited was the dining room where dinner was served. Dinner consisted of baked ham, turkey, and all the trimmings. After dinner the group went to the gymnasium for the Christmas tree. Santa Claus was present to hand out all the gifts. Each boy received a box which contained a pair of boots, courtesy of movie star Roy Rogers. Other gifts in the box included two shirts, two pairs of trousers, one for work and one for dress, a tie, and a wide western style belt with appropriate buckle.

The boys also received another box filled with fruit and nuts and a pound cake. With each of the pounds were two \$1.00 bills. The pound cake and money were given the boys by a Lubbock man.

No quality is rarer than true benevolence; even those who imagine they possess it are generally merely of a weak or complaisant nature. —La Rochefoucauld

Adlai E. Stevenson, Democratic Presidential nominee in 1952: "We must never let unscrupulous politicians buy partisan advantage at the price of cherished liberties."

NO. 815
ESTATE OF
FLOYD R. MOORE
DECEASED
IN THE COUNTY COURT OF
RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS
NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF
ESTATE OF FLOYD R. MOORE,
DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that original letters testamentary upon the estate of FLOYD R. MOORE, deceased, were granted to me, the undersigned, on the 9th day of July, 1953, by the County Court of Randall County. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same to me within the time prescribed by law. My residence and post office address are 2405 6th Avenue, Canyon, Texas.

Florence Moore
Executrix of estate of
FLOYD R. MOORE, deceased. 3714

St. Anthony's of Amarillo Has Openings For Registered and Student Nurses

This week a representative visit to St. Anthony's Hospital in Amarillo in an effort to determine the basis for so many favorable reports of the operation of the institution. St. Anthony, with every modern appliance for every need, made him glad he was living in an age and in an area with such a modern hospital to return the sick and injured to health and happiness.

At the present time St. Anthony Hospital has positions open on the staff for registered nurses. Also, any girls who are interested in the fine profession as a career should investigate the advantages offered by their student nursing program which will have openings in the coming fall term.

Equipment in this model institu-

tion is thoroughly modern and especial attention has been paid to lend an air of comfort and quiet throughout. The many people who have been patients there speak highly of the facilities and the tender care administered by the competent corps of nurses under the direction of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word.

We are therefore pleased in this issue to point to St. Anthony Hospital as an institution for healing to which any member of the family may be entrusted with the full knowledge that there the best of attention will be received. An outstanding edifice, St. Anthony Hospital well merits the confidence and continued praise of the residents of the Panhandle.

Anderson Mattress & Upholstery Co. Has Best Equipped Plant in Panhandle

Last week this writer visited an Amarillo firm which is probably the best equipped mattress renovating plant in the entire Panhandle, and saw first hand their efficient operation. This firm, Anderson Mattress & Upholstery Co., at 207 N. Tyler, can actually give one day service on converting your old mattress into an innerspring.

The design and construction of new mattresses is a specialty of the plant, and they realize that the sleeping comfort of their customers depends on quality of materials and workmanship at every step of manufacture. Employing only the finest workmen and using the best obtainable materials, Anderson Mattress & Upholstery Co. has gained an enviable reputation built on customer satisfaction.

Another important service of the firm is top quality furniture upholstery. If you happen to have an older piece that you think is too shoddy to renew, we suggest that you call Anderson Mattress & Upholstery at Amarillo 3-8313 before you go so far as to discard it. In all probability you will find that they can re-upholster it, even change its style and shape, and return to you a brand new, modern piece of furniture at surprisingly low cost.

A wide selection of fabrics is yours to choose from, and the personnel of the firm is experienced at suggesting suitable re-styling and color selection. We suggest that you too would enjoy a visit to Anderson Mattress & Upholstery Co.

Latest Rumors From Political Front of Nation

President Eisenhower would like to go on television and radio with his press conferences, but is concerned over the possibility that some questioner might steal the show. Televised press conferences, it is indicated, would require careful preparation with planted questions and a careful rein upon questioners.

The President is being advised to make many more public appearances and to give more major addresses. He likes this advice, after his speech on atom pooling, and intends to do a good deal more talking to the people.

Mr. Eisenhower had at least some Cabinet members rehearse their easel presentation of the White House program for Congress before that program was offered for sale to committee chairmen. Some question remained whether the charts and careful explanations won over a number of Republicans who are thinking in terms of votes in their districts in the year ahead, more than in terms of broad objectives.

The White House staff is increasingly impressed and pleased by the warmth of support given to President Eisenhower by columnists of strong New Deal persuasion as a result of presidential jobs at Republican Senator Joseph McCarthy. Adlai Stevenson now can't find enough good things to say about Mr. Eisenhower.

The President's aides recently have detected signs that Ike has been warming up to his job and believe that he is taking an increased interest in a second term. He had been rather cool toward that prospect. But now Mrs. Eisenhower's susceptibility to colds in the Washington climate has them worried. They are afraid that she may take a dislike to Washington and persuade the President that one term in office is all that he should be required to undertake.

Sherman Adams, staff chief for the President, has been given a report that shows the number of important Democrats who continue to hold high policy-making jobs in a Republican Administration, 11 months after a change in the White House. Political pressure is building in Congress in support of the idea of change.

Ezra Benson, Secretary of Agriculture, is described as not too happy about the decision at the White House to go quite far to please backers of high support prices for agriculture. The pressures of an election year make it difficult to stand up to demands from Republicans in Congress for continued support of farm prices at 90 per cent of parity.

Senator McCarthy, in his hunt for subversives at Fort Monmouth, is dealing with the greatest spy objective in U. S. today. It is there that radar development of the highest national importance—affecting the whole guided-missile program—is under way, with Russians willing to pay almost any price to get its secrets.

Admiral Arthur Radford, Chairman of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of

Staff, is bowing to the dictum of civilian officials of the Defense Department that the military services and their chiefs are to be largely advisory and are to take orders from the civilians. Members of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff are under wraps to a greater degree than at any time in years.

Charles E. Wilson, Secretary of Defense, is the real boss of the military establishment, with nobody seriously questioning his power.

State Department officials, after investigation, doubt there are any active members of the "left wing" National Lawyers Guild in the office of the State Department's Legal Advisor. A few were formerly members but resigned several years ago.

John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State, indicated to the French that if they just approved the idea of a European Union, that might be enough to satisfy Congress and keep the money and arms flowing next year. The inside word is that the U. S. stand on French action backing a European Army was anything but an ultimatum when privately explained.

Military officials favor, while State Department officials incline to drag their heels on, the proposal for a moderate amount of military aid to Pakistan—a nation that is willing to stand up to the Communists. Diplomats worry about objections of India's Nehru to aid for a rival nation.

Vice President Nixon reported some concern over Communist infiltration into positions of political power in Kashmir—the region over which India and Pakistan are contending.

Anti-Communism, as well as pro-Communism, seems to be ground for the discharge of United Na-

MERRY CHRISTMAS

May we convey our sincerest hopes that you, our friends, will enjoy a most happy, cheerful holiday.

CINDERELLA BEAUTY SHOP

tions employees. At least one employee of the U. N. was fired because of his alertness in correcting pro-Communist propaganda that filtered into his department's reports.

The selfish wish to govern is often mistaken for a holy zeal in the cause of humanity. —Elbert Hubbard

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Training Season Open for Golden Gloves Boxers

Pat Britain and Riley Troth are working with local boys interested in Golden Gloves boxing matches this year. Several boys in this area are active in this sport. Last year Don Roberson and Elmer Clements won high honors in the squared ring. Both won in district matches at Plainview and Don was runner-up in the 126 pound class, and Elmer Clements took first place in the regional 160 pound class.

Equipment is one of the principal needs of the boys at present. Recently Duke Nally, Amarillo Golden Gloves promoter, gave the local boys \$150 worth of equipment. Any person who wants to help out with the expense can do so by contacting Pat Britain at his studio or Riley Troth at the

Canyon Drug. Local promoters want each boy who enters the fights to have a special pair of attractive boxing shorts for the tournament. New equipment for the boys also includes several pairs of shoes now on order.

Late last week Riley Troth said they were looking around for a boy to fight in the heavier weight class. They have boys for almost all other classes but none for the heavier weight. Elmer Clements, 160 pound class, is the heaviest fighter they have.

Training equipment for the boys is in the WT fieldhouse. There will be a trainer down there to assist the boys interested in boxing. Troth commented that Golden Gloves boxing was too much like a street brawl with gloves on, and that boys really interested in the sport should train.

Transportation and meals will be provided for the boys who enter the Plainview fights. This tournament is to be held on January 19, 20, 21, and 22. It is classed as the district meet in the Golden Gloves tournaments. The Amarillo regional tournament will be held in February. Pat Britain said that they hoped to get several boys out of the college to enter the fights this year.

Garland Burgess Is Winner in DuPont Distribution Contest

Garland Burgess, son of Mrs. John Burgess won a second place prize of \$100 cash in a contest with other salesmen in a seven states area on establishing new distribution dealer accounts for DuPont products.

The area included New Mexico, northern Texas, Oklahoma, sections of Mississippi, Tennessee, and Louisiana with 25 salesmen competing. Mr. Burgess, who is a graduate of Canyon High School and Texas Tech with a major in business management, has been with the DuPont Company for four years.

He served two years in the Air Corps, spending out of states duty in Alaska.

'49ers TO MEET

Class '49ers will meet Saturday night, December 26, with Mrs. Walter Graham for their annual Christmas party.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Knighton and children are spending this week with her parents, the Will Sharples, in Corsicana.



Car Inspections Reported as 890 Since September

Late last week Canyon's five inspection stations reported a total of 890 cars inspected since the opening date for them on September 15. It has been about 14 weeks since the inspections began and there are only about 22 more weeks left to get your car inspected. The deadline is April 15 and with nearly half the time gone there are only about one-fourth of the cars in this area being inspected.

One of the things that the people at the inspection stations are worried about is that many car owners will pour in near the deadline. This would swamp the stations so much that they would have to keep some car owners waiting for the inspection.

Breakdown of the stations inspecting the cars shows McAtee and Warwick ahead in the field of inspections with a total of 249 vehicles. Next is Stevenson Pontiac Company with 191. All three other inspections, Randall Motor Company, West Texas Motor Company, and Imperial Chevrolet Company reported a total of 150 vehicles inspected each.

The public was greatly aroused about the manner in which the inspections were first conducted. Feeling ran so high that inspections were delayed and postponed until the public was thoroughly confused. A great amount of work was put in on the law and it was revised to a more practical status. Even though it's been changed, postponed, and criticized, it's still a law and the car you're driving must have the inspection sticker on it by April 15 or you may be fined.

HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

On Friday, December 18, the families of Park Lewis, E. M. Williams and Laymon Yearout, all of Albuquerque, N. M., came to honor their mother and grandmother, Mrs. W. H. Lewis, on her birthday.

To make her coming year more entertaining they brought and installed a television set as a birthday gift.

B-47 Stratojet bomber flew from England to McDill Air Force Base, Florida, 4,490 miles, in 8 hours 53 minutes.

Wayside News

Rev. Merle Weathers filled his regular appointment last Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gillham announce the arrival of a son born Tuesday, December 15. He weighed 6 lbs. 12 oz. They have named him Herbert Loyse.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kennedy, Robert and Richard, were Christmas shoppers in Amarillo Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Stockett were Christmas shoppers in Amarillo last Thursday.

Floyd Adams was a Canyon caller last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Franklin were shopping and visited Mr. and Mrs. Bert Belle in Tulia Saturday p. m. They also visited in the H. C. Schafer home in Vigo Park Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen and children have moved to sunny California.

The county 4-H Christmas party at Claude December 12 was well attended by Wayside members and their parents. Many gifts were distributed among the boys and girls. A movie was shown and games were played. Refreshments were served and everyone seemed to enjoy the party and Christmas tree. The party came to an end when everyone took the bond of friendship and sang "Bless Be the Tie."

WAYSIDE H. D. CLUB ENJOYS ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Wayside Home Demonstration Club held its annual Christmas party at the home of the club president, Mrs. H. T. Duke. Games were played and secret pals revealed. All who could not guess their pals were fined 25 cents. Several paid fines. Then came the highlight of the evening with the exchanging of many lovely gifts. Names were drawn for next year's secret pals.

Refreshments were served to 17 members and one visitor, and several children. They were Mesdames Floyd Adams, Wiatt Heisler, Bill Heisler, W. R. Franklin, Bessie Lane, Henry Hamblen, Charles Kennedy, Roy Dodson, Leroy Roberts, E. J. Mahler, Melton McGehee, D. M. Rae, Carrol Dean Rogers, I. F. SoRelle, Stanley Hill, John Hill, and a visitor, Mrs. Virlie Wetzell, and the hostess, Mrs. H. T. Duke.

Mrs. C. M. Presley left Saturday morning for San Bernardino, Calif., where she will spend the holidays with her daughter and family, the Don Trolingers.

Drugs-Sundries-Gifts - Canyon Drug

West Texas Gas Co. Has Yuletide Party

West Texas Gas Company held its annual Christmas party Tuesday evening, December 15, at McSpadden Compressor Station. The employees of the company and immediate members of their families as well as two Plainview visitors were present. After the dinner the traditional Christmas tree was observed with treats for the kiddies.

Present were Gladys Haines and daughter, Vergie, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Spurlock, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sanford, Sharon, and Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Reynolds and Ronnie, John Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Nunley and Bobbie, Mr. and Mrs. Deene Donnell, Scott and Gregory, Mr. and Mrs. Shelby Hood, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stephens, Jack, Joe, Freddy, and Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Piner Stevens, Lynn, Keith, and Demaris.

Visitors from Plainview were Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Mitchell.

Al/c and Mrs. Max Bellah arrived Saturday to spend this week in the home of his mother, Mrs. Alfred Bellah. They will return to Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio where he is stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Owens, Mary and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Tatman attended funeral services for Mrs. Mable Owens, aunt of Mr. Owens, in Anson on Sunday.

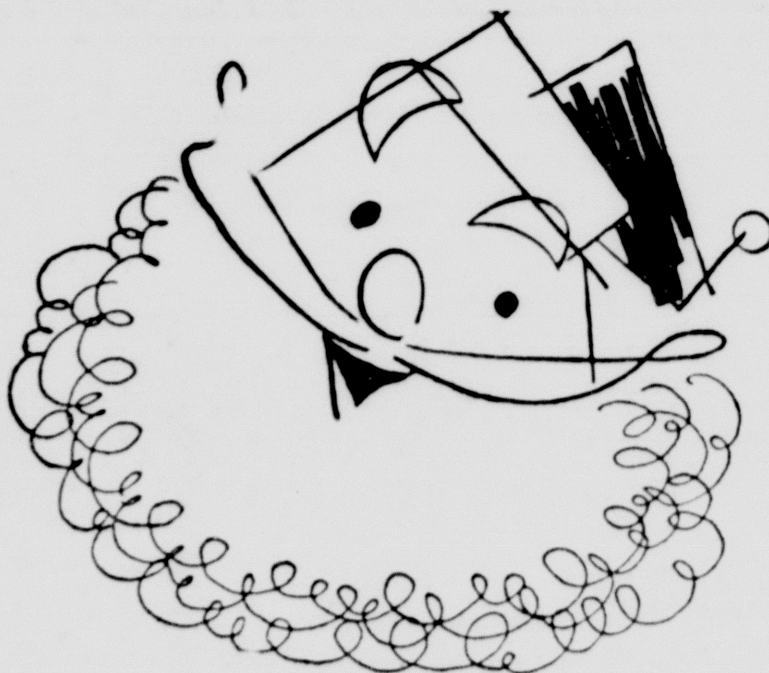


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We hope you will derive as much pleasure from our greeting to you, as we do in extending it —
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O, come, let us adore Him...



Saltgrass Wastes Oceans of Water

By JIM COMPTON

On the South Plains, where water is the bread and butter of the land, virtually thousands of gallons are wasted each day by a group of plants known as the phreatophytes.

Though this group numbers about 50, there is only one which really wastes much water in this area. It is saltgrass. Saltgrass is a pumping plant which transpires large quantities of underground water into the atmosphere each day. Principally, the roots of this plant do not use soil water, but reach on into the water bearing material and take moisture from the water table. It then dispenses this water into the atmosphere.

If this plant is allowed to live on South Plains farms, it will usually lower the water table beneath it several feet per year through its transpiration activities. It is a plant that cannot live from soil water alone; thus the long roots. Though the plant does not pump water in the sense one usually thinks about, it does cause the loss of much water from the underground reservoir each year. Water in the atmosphere will not help produce a crop.

Saltgrass is of very little good. Being used only for early grazing, it is a coarse grass and has little nutritional value. Baling is costly, and animals find it unpalatable.

It grows anywhere it can establish. It will grow in altitudes ranging from sea level to 8,000 feet. It will grow in sandy or clay soils. Once it is established on the land it is hard to eradicate.

As a general rule, the shallower the water table, the higher the rate of use of water by this "waster." Saltgrass commonly grows only where the depth of the water table does not exceed six to eight feet. It has been observed growing, however, in places where the water table depth was 12 feet. There are many farms on the South Plains where water is less than 12 feet from the surface.

Even mineralized water, known to stop the activity of many of the phreatophytes, will not halt the water wasting activities of saltgrass, once started. It has a high tolerance for mineralized water.

Reduction of this consumptive waste may be accomplished by lowering the water table in the area of the evapotranspiration, either by pumping or by drainage. In order to be effective, however, the lowering should be rapid; otherwise the plant roots may keep pace with the declining water level and keep the declining water level and keep the plant alive until conditions again become stable.

Burning does no good. Saltgrass, after having been burned, was observed to have tall growth again, after six months.

Lowering of the water table immediate to the saltgrass area, would not interfere with irrigation. On the South Plains, where saltgrass is growing (there is some in every county), no economical crop should be planted until the phreatophyte is removed.

VFW Club Holds Annual Holiday Party Thursday

The V.F.W. Club celebrated its annual Christmas party at the clubhouse northwest of town Thursday night. Approximately 100 persons enjoyed the covered dish supper. The meal consisted of turkey and all the trimmings.

After the meal was finished many of the members and guests settled about a card table and played dominoes or cards. Some of the women gathered about the open fire in the fireplace of the club room recently finished, and talked. Among the other Christmas decorations were the mounted heads of two deer. The heads were also decorated and across the nose was a strip of red crepe paper to give the impression of Rudolf the red nosed reindeer.

After enjoying the meal the children began to play games as they waited for Santa Claus. Many of them were getting a little impatient when Santa was delayed and came in about ten minutes behind schedule. All of the children had an opportunity to talk with Santa and each received a Christmas stocking filled with candy. After each child had an opportunity of talking to Santa, the jolly old gentleman went to the Christmas tree and gave the children their presents from it.

Johnnie McBroom, Commander of the VFW Post, said he hoped the Christmas party would continue to grow bigger and better each

year. The party was more enjoyable this year because of the addition of the kitchen, lounges and the clubroom to the building last summer. During the past year the club has also acquired its own well and water pumping facilities.

HORRORS OF PEACE

A British nudist believes there would be no further wars if all mankind followed his suit. Suit?

Power, like desolating pestilence, Pollutes what ere it touches; and obedience,

Bane of all genius, virtue, freedom, truth

Makes slaves of men, and of the human frame

A mechanized automaton.—Shelley

Ellen Hill is home from McMurry College at Abilene to spend the holidays in the home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Lester Hill.

George Dowlen and Richard Sanders are home from the University of Texas.

Former Cuban President Carlos Prio Socarras was arrested in Miami, Fla., on a charge of conspiring to export arms and implements of war from the U. S. without license.

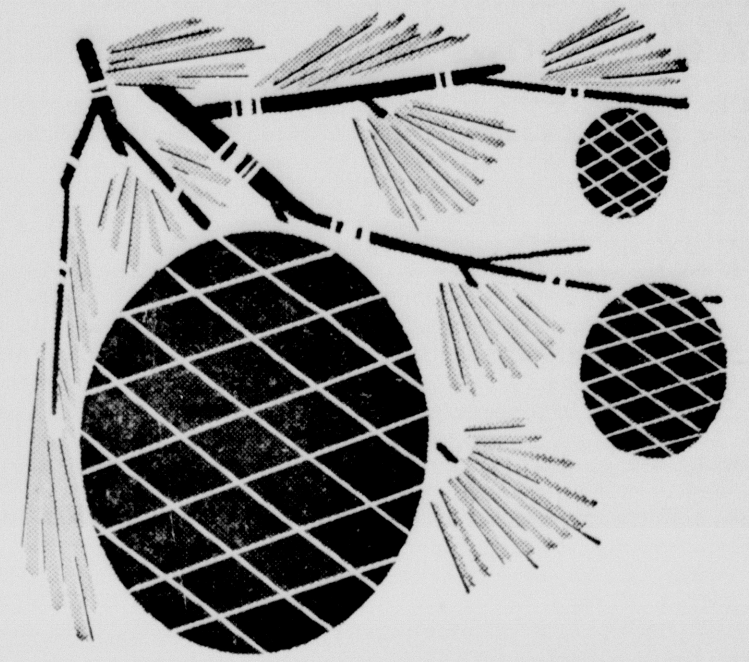
Anne O'Hare McCormick, newspaper correspondent: "All of Europe is more or less in the position of arrested motion, waiting to see what Russia is going to do."

By contenting ourselves with obedience we become divine. — Emerson.

THE AMERICAN WAY



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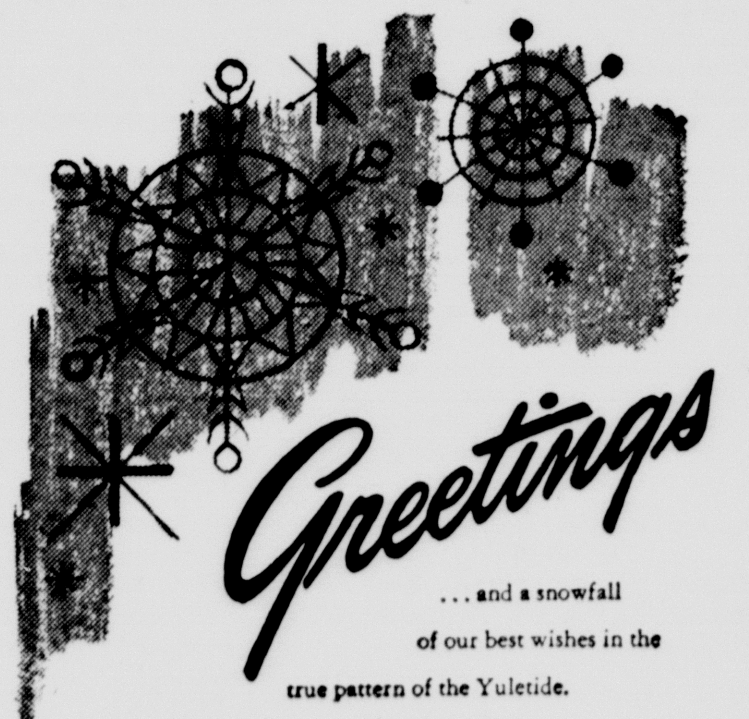
The fragrance of pine cones could scarcely be sweeter or more stirring than our deep gratitude for your continued patronage and unflinching loyalty. May we wish you one and all a Merry Christmas.

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A CHRISTMAS alight
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Wynelle Montgomery Becomes Bride Of Walter Haws in Christmas Setting

Wynelle Montgomery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Montgomery, became the bride of Walter Haws, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Haws of Friona, on Saturday afternoon, December 19, at 5 o'clock.

Rev. Strauss Atkinson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, read the single ring rites in the church parlor at an altar decorated with Christmas decorations.

Mrs. Steve Scott of Friona, matron of honor and only attendant to the bride, wore a blue faille suit and carried a colonial bouquet of white carnations and roses.

Mr. Haws was his son's best man. The bride, given in marriage by her father, wore a blue poodle cloth suit with black velvet trim and black velvet accessories. Her bouquet was a white orchid imbedded in white roses and surmounted on a white Biele.

Mrs. Montgomery wore a red woolen dress with black accessories and a white mum corsage. Mrs. Haws wore a blue-grey suit with black accessories and a white mum corsage.

Immediately following the ceremony the bridal couple was honored with a reception in Fellowship Hall. Centering the table laid with a white satin cloth was the bride's bouquet flanked by white candles in crystal holders. Mrs. Scott laid punch and Majorie Haws.

LOVELY HOLIDAY TEA GIVEN IN K. L. POND HOME SUNDAY

In the beautifully decorated home of Mrs. K. L. Pond, Mrs. Floyd Tomlinson and Mrs. Pond entertained with a holiday tea Sunday afternoon between the hours of 3 and 5.

Miss Nancy Kay Tomlinson, Mrs. Richmond Hales, and Mrs. Robert McClendon assisted their mothers. Miss Olita May Pond, sister-in-law of Mrs. Pond from Borger, was also in the house party.

Guests were greeted at the door by Mrs. Pond. The daughters conducted the guests to the especially attractive tea table where they were graciously served by Mrs. Tomlinson. The massive Christmas candle surrounded by silver sprays and balls with a delicate trace of pastel color forming the centerpiece on the table laid with an exquisite organdy and linen cloth was only an introduction to other Christmas decorations throughout the home.

Approximately 100 guests called during the tea hours.

CENTRAL H. D. CLUB MEETS IN HOME OF MRS. GEORGE BARKER

On Friday, December 18, the members of Central Home Demonstration Club held their annual Christmas party in the home of Mrs. George Barker. Children of the members also enjoyed the event.

The program consisted of a Christmas story, "Season of Hope," by Mrs. Win Matsler. Christmas carols were led by Mrs. Lillie Foster. A letter written to Mrs. Breitling was read. It was from Miss Francis Wilroy who is in Japan.

Exchange of gifts was made, and each of the members revealed their secret pals for the year by exchanging a gift.

Apple pie a la mode, cocoa or coffee were served. Mesdames Maxine Sherrod, George Schaeffer, Lillie Foster, J. M. Breittling, J. C. Hutchinson, Rae M. Walters, Mae Johnson, Billie Sorce, Kenneth Clark, Matsler, L. S. Terry, H. R. Long, Levi Cole, Mary Donnell, B. B. Hollabaugh, P. L. Pitt, Piner Stevens, Van Pennington, and the hostess, Mrs. George Barker.

First meeting of the club in January will be with Mrs. Sorce.

LOUI LESTER CLUB YULE PARTY GIVEN BY MRS. HUD PRICHARD

Lou Lester Club met in the home of Mrs. Hud Prichard Tuesday evening, December 15, for a Christmas dinner and party. The long table with beautiful Christmas centerpiece held 19 members and guests. Turkey with all the trimmings was enjoyed.

A beautiful Christmas tree was full of gifts for all. Millie McElroy told an impressive Christmas story, "The Secret of Christmas."

Honored guests were Worthy Matron Mrs. Leatha Lehnick and Mrs. Ella Kate Jaggers. Past Matron of Spearman. Others included Mesdames Lucy Brown, Ethel Campbell, Margaret Cole, Emma Coleman, Kittie Foster, Marie Hair, Olga Phillips, Lois Prichard, Hildger Wirt, Berl Mayfield, Mattie Gerald, Bruce McIntire, Millie McElroy, and Misses Beryl Hixson, Wilma Hixson, Vera Crawford, and Bertie Mae Williams.

WESLEYAN SERVICE GUILD MEETS WITH MRS. JOHNSON

Wesleyan Service Guild met last Friday night, December 18, in the home of Mrs. H. H. Johnson for a social gathering. Those present also used the gathering to exchange gifts.

Present were Miss Irene Hicks, Mesdames Alga Seales, Gladys Haines, Joe Winstead, Fred Scott, E. J. Larson, Lige Frieze, Lloyd Devin, George Hill, C. W. Samples, and the hostess, Mrs. H. H. Johnson. Refreshments of salad, wafers and coffee were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Byars and children of Lamesa are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Byars, through the Christmas holidays.

sister of the groom, served the two tiered wedding cake to relatives and close friends of the families. Jerry Ann Montgomery, sister of the bride, registered the guests.

For the wedding trip to Albuquerque, New Mexico, the bride wore a navy blue dress and black accessories.

After January 1 the couple will be at home in Friona.

Mrs. Haws attended Canyon High School. Mr. Haws is a graduate of Friona High School and attended West Texas State College.

MOCK WEDDING HIGHLIGHTS CENTERVIEW CLUB PROGRAM

The Centerview club women produced a novel entertainment Saturday evening in the form of a "manless wedding" at the annual Christmas tree. Fairview school was the scene of the party.

Draped in finery of long-tail dresses and suits of finery with bouquets consisting of carrots, onions, okra, and celery, even to boutonnières of cotton, they presented an amusing sight. Candle lighters were Vivian Myers and Orlene Rogers. The minister's position was capably handled by Madge Sutton. The groom was Letha Patterson, who was distinct with sideburns and mustache.

Grace Schaeffer, dressed in a flowing dress of white rill and even a train, was the demure bride. Serena Bryan was train bearer. Next in line were the groomsmen, Georgia Rogers, and bridesmaid, Evelyn Shipman. LaVenia Ameron was best man while Inez Shipman was matron of honor. Annie Wesley was the bride's mother, and Lizzie Wesley was the weeping aunt.

The wedding party entered to Homer and Jethro's "I'm Moving On, No. 2." Vivian Myers proposed the toast to the groom while Orlene Rogers gave the toast to the bride. The wedding party left to the tune of "Detour, There's A Muddy Road Ahead."

After this entertainment, a session of visiting and gifts were exchanged. Apples, popcorn balls, and home-made candy were served to approximately 60 members and guests.

BUSINESS WOMEN'S BRIDGE CLUB HAS CHRISTMAS PARTY

Mrs. F. A. Pierce and Miss Mary Grabber were hostesses to members and guests of the Business Women's Bridge Club for their Christmas party on Wednesday evening, December 16, in the home of Mrs. Pierce.

As is the custom of the club, members brought covered dishes of vegetables and salad. Turkey, dressing, and ambrosia were prepared by other members of the club.

In the beautifully decorated dining room the serving table was unusually attractive. Bright Christmas red oil cloth pinked in scallops with each scallop bearing a Santa Claus face was draped over a white linen cloth.

Guests served themselves buffet style. Seatings were marked at foursome tables with score cards bearing sprigs of evergreen.

After dinner gifts were exchanged. Then the 20 members and guests played games of bridge. Mrs. C. R. Flesher and Mrs. Hud Prichard were prize winners at the conclusion of the games.

WTE GRADE SCHOOL OBSERVES ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Tuesday afternoon, December 11, at 1:30 o'clock, a procession of small children and their teachers were seen entering the Joseph A. Hill Chapel for their traditional Christmas service. The first four grades of the West Texas Elementary School look forward each year to this occasion.

In previous years Dr. Hill has spoken to the children after the singing of familiar Christmas carols. This year Miss Marilyn Alice Payne told the Christmas story, "Why the Chimes Rang," with background organ music by Mrs. Adeline Barker.

The two first grades sang a special Christmas song, one of Mrs. Charlotte M. Word's compositions. Mrs. Elouise Burgess led the group in singing several Christmas carols. Dr. Hill dismissed the group with a prayer.

GUILD OBSERVES CHRISTMAS WITH TRADITIONAL PARTY

All Saint's Episcopal Guild met Friday evening, December 18, in the home of Mrs. Warren Parker for their traditional Christmas party.

Gifts were exchanged from a beautifully lighted tree and Christmas music was played throughout the evening.

A delicious dessert course was served to Mesdames Everett Glenn, James Colombo, Charles Richmond, Michael Morris, Charles Joyner, Frank Kimbrough, Edwin Pettitt, George Sanders Oliver, and the hostess.

The new home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Roberts on Sixth Avenue has been completed and they have moved to this location. They sold their home in the east part of Canyon to Dr. J. B. Roberts, who has taken possession.

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L. S. JOHNSTONS ENTERTAIN POLICE FORCE WITH BARBECUE

Sheriff and Mrs. L. S. Johnston entertained the force of the Randall County officers with a barbecue dinner at their home Monday.

Those enjoying the barbecue were Mr. and Mrs. Dan Dowdy and children, Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Camp and son, Mr. and Mrs. Lem Pounds, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Burnett, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Samples.

Umbarger News

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Artho and family spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Westhoff. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gerber spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Math Albracht and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Isidore Rheinhardt were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Batenhorst.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Arko and family are visiting Mrs. Arko's sister, Mrs. Max Hoffman. The Arkos are from Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Friemel and family spent Sunday in the Clarence Beckman home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Gerber and family spent Sunday in Amarillo with Mr. and Mrs. Stork.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Batenhorst of Vega visited relatives in Umbarger Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lieckus, Mr. and Mrs. John Bedenk and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wieck were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berand of Amarillo.

Mr. and Mrs. Meinrad Hollenstein and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Alford were guests in the Albert Fischbacker home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewie Raef and family visited in Hereford Sunday. Dr. Dudley Moore of Canyon visited in the Frank Grabber home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Janssen visited in the Charles Beckman home Sunday afternoon.

Fairview Breezes

We are beginning to need some moisture and would appreciate a white Christmas.

Rev. Landtroop delivered two fine sermons Sunday. Rev. Landtroop will not be with us Sunday as he and his wife plan to visit relatives in El Paso.

Home Demonstration club members had their annual Christmas tree Saturday evening. A story of the party is given elsewhere in this paper.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rogers entertained with an "88" party Tuesday evening. The women made taffy and served it.

Visitors in the J. W. Wesley home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Landtroop, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Evans, Mrs. Clara Sutton and daughters, Mrs. Bill Boyd and children.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wesley were shoppers in Amarillo Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Deward Hext were in Amarillo Thursday, where Deward was seeing his doctor.

J. D. Prossor visited in the G. E. Wesley home Sunday. John David Prossor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Prossor, had a bad fall and cut his head. Several stitches had to be taken.

Charles Sutton is in Neblett Hospital quite ill.

The community Christmas tree will be held tomorrow evening, and there will be treats for all.

Annual Christmas dinner will be in the J. W. Wesley home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Wilson visited Sunday in the paternal Red Wilson home. Mrs. Ervin Wilson and daughter, Glenda Ann, visited Saturday night in the Red Wilson home.

We were glad to welcome Rollin Adams and Mr. and Mrs. Deward Hext at church Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow Wesley and boys watched TV in the J. W. Wesley home last Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Shipman visited Sunday in the Ira Schrib and T. H. Shipman homes at Wayside.

Poinsettias! Poinsettias! Poinsettias! Home grown at the greenhouse. Stevens Floral Co. 3711

HOUSTON BRIGHTS HOSTS TO DINNER BRIDGE CLUB MEET

Dr. and Mrs. Houston Bright were hosts to the December meeting of the Dinner Bridge Club. Christmas decorations and the Christmas motif used in the serving gave a delightful yuletide spirit to the occasion.

Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Foster were high score winners.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Demus, special guests, Mrs. Jerry Newman, Dr. and Mrs. Roger Whealy, Dr. and Mrs. Robert P. Jarrett, Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Foster, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Morris, and Mrs. Larry Holman were received by the gracious host and hostess.

FORMOSA BOUND?

For what it's worth, British agents in Hong Kong are convinced that the Chinese Reds are poised to take a first step toward an invasion of Formosa. The step: early invasion of some 50 Nationalist-held islands off the China coast. These could be used as stepping stones to Formosa.

To pity distress is but human; to relieve it is Godlike. —Horace Mann

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

Thrifty Housewives Find Bargains at Big, Modern McCartt Super Markets

Because they offer merchandise of the highest quality at a saving, McCartt Super Markets have won the confidence and praise of many housewives. These markets are among the progressive firms which have undertaken the solution of marketing problems of the busy homemaker, and with the result that they have lessened the burden of grocery shopping and saved money for other budget items.

Consequently McCartt Super Markets have become shopping headquarters for many people in

the area. At these modern markets the shopper may do her buying with confidence in the consistently high quality of the produce and meat as well as grocery items offered for her selection. Owners E. J. Morris B. E. J. Jr. and Robert S. McCartt maintain direct supervision of the firm and thus are able to maintain constant vigilance over the buying operation, for it is at this point that both quality and price are controlled.

It is not surprising then, that at McCartt's the homemaker may exercise judgment in choice of table supplies and at the same time effect a great economy. Locally owned, these stores have money saving specials on many items and also offer consistently fair and low prices on all merchandise. Known as the stores where quality and service excel, McCartt Super Markets are worthy of mention in any review of progressive business firms.

Don't Throw Away Sheets of Seals Sent Christmas

Austin: Finding a sheet of Christmas Seals in a waste basket sort of shocks a person who has had personal experience with tuberculosis, letters reaching the Texas TB Association indicate.

One recently received by Dr. R. G. McCorkle, San Antonio physician who is president of the statewide organization, said in part: "Dear Dr. McCorkle:

"Several years ago we had to return our Christmas Seals because we had a son in the hospital. I wrote you our position and received such a nice letter from you and you have never sent us any Seals since."

"I found these thrown away in the post office and as our son has improved to the point of returning home this year, we want to help again. I am enclosing one dollar and I hope you do not object to me using the Seals although they were sent to someone else."

Also on file in the association office at Austin is a letter received in January 1952. It reads:

"My Good Friends:

"A short while before Christmas at Tarleton State College where I work as a janitor I found a sheet of 100 Christmas TB Seals in a waste paper can. I used these Seals on my Christmas cards and letters. TB is a most dreadful and terrible disease. I am sending you \$1.00 in this letter to pay you for these TB Seals of 1952. My dear mother died of TB in the year of 1906."

But there is a happier note sounded in a later letter from this same man. It reveals that his oldest sister, hospitalized for TB in 1938 regained her health and is busily engaged in preparations for her family's Christmas this year.

Your Farm Problem

By EZRA TAFT BENSON
Secretary of Agriculture
(First of a Two-Part Series)

This nation has a serious farm problem. It does not affect agriculture alone. It is everybody's problem. Today your government has approximately \$5 billions of your money invested in farm commodities.

You own outright more than \$25 billions worth of wheat, corn, cotton, and other surplus farm products. You have outstanding loans on agricultural commodities totaling about the same amount. This figure is growing daily.

You are paying more than \$14 millions each month just to store these surpluses. This bill is growing, too, as additional inventories are accumulated by your government.

The losses which your government sustained in disposing of just a small portion of your holdings during the first three months of this fiscal year amounted to \$47 millions.

But, you ask, don't we have a farm program designed to insure agricultural prosperity and prevent the very situation we find ourselves in today?

The answer is that we are operating under the same farm program we had last year and for several previous years. Actually we have strengthened it in several important respects to permit farmers to take broader advantage of its provisions. Existing legislation binds us to a continuation of price supports at 90 per cent of parity on basic commodities through the 1954 crop year.

Nevertheless, farm prices have declined steadily from the record peaks established under the impetus of the Korean war in February, 1951. During the 12 months immediately before I became Secretary of Agriculture, the farm price parity ratio slid from 113 to 95 per cent. Since February of this year, prices have been more stable than in 1952, averaging about 93 per cent of parity.

This story of declining farm income and mounting agricultural surpluses is the best evidence that our present program is not functioning effectively.

For more than a decade, our farmers have been producing under pressure. To meet the wartime needs of ourselves and our allies, they turned out record amounts of food and fiber between 1941 and 1946. With the end of the second World War, they were asked to provide the commodities required in the rehabilitation of Europe and other sections of the earth. Then came the Korean War, with new and heavy demands for farm goods of all kinds.

Suddenly this situation was radi-

cally altered. World food production had been climbing since 1946. By 1952 this was exerting strong pressure in the market places. Our wheat exports dropped by one-third in a single year, cotton by even more. Not only had importing nations increased their own production, but they found that they could supply their reduced needs at lower prices from exporting countries which had no farm price support programs.

Just as many American consumers have turned from butter to less expensive spreads, so have other nations sought cheaper wheat, cotton and other products.

We have learned through sometimes bitter experience that when the farmer is in trouble, there is likely to be trouble ahead for everybody. This year, net farm income is expected to be nearly \$1 billion less than it was in 1952. And in 1952 it was more than \$1 billion below the preceding year. While farm income has been dropping, our total national income has actually increased.

This disparity cannot continue in an economy such as ours. When the farmer can't buy the products of industry, there are certain to be serious dislocations.

Now we got into this situation is not as important, at the moment, as what we propose to do about it. I have outlined here some of the major problems facing agriculture. In a subsequent article, I should like to discuss some of the possible solutions.

No trap — but follow the path to our door and find Christmas galore! Stevens Flowers. 3711

BEHIND THE CURTAIN

A resistance dodge quietly being worked in one farming village in Western Poland: the local kolkhoz (collective farm setup), established back in 1950, exists only in theory. Despite regularly submitted statistical reports and the existence of a complete organization on paper, the farmers continue to farm their own land and everything is at status quo. This kolkhoz has even won favorable mention from the Communist press.

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WILL BUY hens for killing. Meyers Hatchery. 31tf

WANTED: Garden breaking, rotating and plowing yards; levelling and sowing grass seed; pruning trees and fertilizing gardens and yards. A. C. Darst. Dial 5-4488. 30tf

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FOR SALE: Choice building lot on Eighth Avenue, in restricted district. Phone 5-3860. 34tf

FOR SALE: 20 Jersey cows and heifers, heavy springers. Bill Eubanks, 2 1/2 miles south of Happy. 37p2

FOR SALE: Cane butts, \$7.50 ton. A. Hollenstein, Rt. 1, Canyon. 37p3

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FOR SALE: Five Walter Graham, light colored bulls, young, ready for service. Roy Byrd, Sr., phone 5-2742, Canyon. 37p2

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STOCKHOLDERS MEETING

Notice is hereby given to the stockholders of the First National Bank in Canyon that the annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its offices on the second Tuesday of January, 1954, the same being the 12th day of January, 1954, at 4:00 p. m. for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year and considering other business which may come before the stockholders.

L. W. COLE, President.

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Big Claims Made in Hauling Cattle Truck

According to a story printed on the first page of the Amarillo News Monday, the cowmen and truckers of this area are strong for an expressway between Canyon and Amarillo. The claim is made that such a construction would save the cowmen living to the south of Canyon at least \$100,000 per year.

P-TA Has Yule Program, Faces Question for '54

"Let's keep Christmas in our hearts" was the inspiring message to the members of the Parent-Teacher Association's regular meeting Thursday, December 17. Mrs. K. E. Frieze delivered the message which was one of the late Peter Marshall's Christmas sermons. The meeting of the P-TA was held in the auditorium of the high school.

The program consisted of several musical numbers by students of the school. Herman Demus directed two Christmas carols played by the sixth grade boys and girls and the high school sextet. Miss Ada V. Clark directed the senior ensemble girls and the boys trio, each group sang a Christmas carol.

Main question before the P-TA at the present time was given as the Halloween Carnival. According to a committee report, the carnival is not at the present time fitting the needs of the youth of the community. The question is: Should it be re-styled or should it be done away with? P-TA members are to discuss this question further when they meet in the high school cafeteria January 21 at 7:30 p. m. At that time a committee will be appointed to study this problem from all aspects. The public is asked to keep the Halloween carnival in mind so as to render their true feelings in the matter later.

Main thought of the P-TA at this time is "Let's keep Christmas in our hearts" as they extend to everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Church Planning Student Program

First Methodist Church will hold services for Student Recognition Sunday morning. At this program students of West Texas State and other colleges will participate. They will present the annual program Sunday morning.

Rev. Lester L. Hill, pastor, said they were anxious to have all students home from college attend and take part in the program. The students of WT who may not live here but are remaining in town over the Christmas holidays are also invited to attend the program and take part as well as those who live in this vicinity.

Mrs. Lida Shepherd, mother of M. D. Shepherd, is visiting the M. D. Shepherds and their son during the holidays. She is also visiting in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Glenn Dowlen.

The story follows:

Stockmen and truckers who ship and haul cattle over the present road want an expressway. M. T. Johnson, manager of the Amarillo Livestock Auction Company and J. R. Taylor, manager of the Western Livestock Company, have found the men in the cattle industry forceful in their desire for a better road into Amarillo from the south.

"The route that will be chosen doesn't concern these people," Johnson said. "What they are interested in is a safe and fast means of bringing their cattle over here those last 20 miles to the stockyards."

And this is why:

The present congested road increases the hauling time. Every minute cattle spend in transit costs the seller money.

Charlie Gamble, Amarillo trucker, finds the Canyon to Amarillo trip ordinarily requires one hour and 10 minutes. An expressway, he believes, would cut that time by 30 minutes.

Men like John O. Russell, another trucker, Al Smith, Hereford cattle feeder and farmer, Foster Pickett, Amarillo cattle buyer, and Dick Garner of Plainview, cattle buyer for Cudahy Packing Company, share his opinion that the present route is dangerous, congested and too slow.

Most of the cattle shipped into the Amarillo stockyards come from within two hours hauling distance. Those first two hours on a truck are the most expensive for the beef producer. Cattle shrink then at a rate of three per cent an hour. Johnson estimates that 100,000 of the more than 300,000 cattle his firm handles each year are hauled in from the south.

Here is how he figures the proposed Canyon-Amarillo Expressway would save producers \$100,000 a year. Or, at least, \$1 on each head of cattle.

The Expressway would cut 50,000 cattle hours from the hauling time. At an estimated 500-pound average for each head, the faster route would result in an annual saving of 750,000 pounds of beef. An average selling price of only 15 cents per pound would give a saving of \$125,500 to the producer.

But Johnson, whose estimates lean to the conservative, cuts that figure to a round \$100,000.

Edel and Eloyce Money, attending Southwestern Junior College in Keene, Texas, will arrive Wednesday night to spend Christmas holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Money. Jo Nell Jones of Alka City, roommate of Eloyce, will spend the week-end with her.

Lt. and Mrs. Sandy Oliver are here from Shreveport to spend the holidays at the parental W. T. Oliver and Frank Kimbrough homes.

Help Keep Canyon Clean!



The other night we opened the front door on something so real it almost blinded us.

Usually, when the doorbell rings and we aren't "expecting company," we make a dozen quick guesses before we turn the doorknob. Is it the paper boy collecting? A wrong address? A neighbor returning a pan? Could it be callers? A telegram?

But on this night we were trimming the tree and had only time for one panic-ridden glance at the confusion before we answered.

There stood five neighborhood urchins, in solemn but smiling formation, ready to sing us a Christmas song. Ignoring conventional choir arrangement of the short ones in front, these youngsters had arrayed themselves in two uneven rows, and between the shoulders of two big ones peered the round, earnest eyes of the littlest caroler.

As they opened their songbook and began an off-key "Joy to the World," we watched their expressions — shyness, fun, mischief and seriousness all in one. But underneath it, the sweetest of spirits. As they finished, we offered them candy, but their answer was quick and sure:

"No, ma'am!" they said positively. "Not one thing. We just want to sing for you." And they were gone to ring the next doorbell. We went to a darkened window and watched them across the street, their big dog trailing after them.

This is truly it, we thought, as we tried to swallow a lump about the size of a baseball that seemed stuck in our throat. For eleven months and three weeks of the year, this unpredictable little band of live wires keep the neighborhood electrified with their activities. But on this night, the true goodness of Christmas has got hold of them and they want to share it.

It was greatness in disguise.

Canyon Girl Goes To Jacksonville, Fla.

Bette Jane McGehee, 19, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. K. McGehee of Canyon, leaves Lubbock Dec. 27 for Jacksonville, Fla., where she will represent Texas Tech in the Gator Bowl queen's contest.

The sophomore home economics student at Tech will be one of nine entries in the contest, which brings together beauties from major colleges of the South. Final judging is scheduled for Dec. 30, with the presentation of the queen at half-time in the Gator Bowl game between Tech and Auburn. Miss McGehee's week in Florida will be highlighted by attending a special stage presentation of "John Brown's Body," starring Tyrone Power, Jan. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Leisk and children of Roswell, N. M., spent Monday in the home of their cousin, Dr. and Mrs. Dudley Moore and family.

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Szydoski Wins \$27; Thursday's Pot Holds \$290

Eddie Szydoski was Treasure Chest winner Saturday with a 10% ticket. His winning ducat was the fourth one drawn and it was good for \$27. Chamber of Commerce manager Roland Black was on vacation so the drawing was conducted by E. M. "Mutt" Myers, outgoing president of the Chamber of Commerce.

The drawing this week will be conducted tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock from the bandstand. The drawing has been changed on this date because many of the businesses will be closed on Saturday and many of the local people will be taking a long holiday week-end trip. By having the drawing on Thursday people will not feel that they may miss something by not being in town on Saturday.

Myers said the Treasure Chest would contain a total of \$290 for the drawing this Thursday. The winner must be present in order to claim the money. The usual rules will hold and tickets will be drawn until a winner comes forward.

Days For Chapped Hands Are Upon Texas Says Cox

AUSTIN: State Health Officer Geo. W. Cox looked at the calendar today and saw chapping weather ahead.

"Two weather changes — dew point and barometric pressure — cause skin to chap and crack," the season-conscious Dr. Cox pointed out. "Chapping is always more frequent and severe from December through February."

That is the time of year when weather forecasts are likely to read: "low barometric pressure, moist air followed by sudden high pressure and dryness with low dew point." It adds up to real chapping conditions.

Dew point is the temperature at which moisture begins to condense into visible form. It makes a useful index of actual humidity. When it is low, chapping can be severe.

Wind hastens chapping, too, Dr. Cox commented, especially when skin is wet. Quick evaporation is the big factor here. Dryness might actually be increased by hot water, soap, or the so-called protective oils, lotions, and creams. A day's injury sometimes takes weeks to heal.

A chapped condition can run the gamut from plain dryness and itching to splits and fissures which bleed and crust.

An artificial humidifier in the house would be a big help, the health officer said, but you could probably get the quickest relief by checking with your doctor.

And if you happen to have a psychrometer, an instrument which determines humidity, you'll be able to foresee chapping weather ahead and take precautions. Don't think in terms of "relative humidity," though. That indicates the percentage of atmospheric saturation at a given temperature, and is unreliable, because warm air can hold more water vapor than cold air. For example, relative humidity of 80 percent indicates far less moisture at 40 degrees than it does when the thermometer stands at 60 degrees.

Hospital News

M. B. McManigal, Happy, surgical
Linda Ann Ratjen, Tulsa, surgical
Charlie Dutton, Happy, medical
Jerry E. White, surgical
Don Lee Lundgreen, surgical
Mrs. Lloyd Q. Johnson, Amarillo, surgical
Lewis L. Stoelzing, orthopedic
Mrs. Cynthia Newton, Amarillo, medical
Mrs. Earl Dehart, Hereford, surgical
Olivia Joy Camacho, Amarillo, medical
Mrs. Annie O'Neal, Hereford, surgical
James Jennings, surgical

Births
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Loyd, a girl, born December 16.

Cummings Named To Institute

E. T. Cummings has been notified that he has been elected a member of the American Institute of Accountants.

The Institute has headquarters in New York City and offers many advantages to accountants who are members. It is the only professional organization of its kind in the nation, and the election of Mr. Cummings to the organization is a distinct recognition of his CPA standing.

MILK MAN PAYS OFF

A husband writing to his wife from a distant city, sent her a check for 100 kisses.

She answered by a postcard, telling him that the milk man had cashed the check.

News In Canyon 25 Years Ago

(Taken from the files of The Canyon News of December 27, 1928)

Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Braswell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

A community Christmas Tree was held on the court house lawn with more than 500 persons present.

Miss Tommie Rushing and Felix Pierce were married Thursday.

R. B. Johnson, brother of Jim Johnson, died in Colorado.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Otis Higdon.

Traffic Officers Have Hands Full

"Pity the traffic officer in this Christmas rush — and help him by driving and walking extra carefully."

That plea was made by Col. E. B. Tilley of Houston, president of the Texas Safety Association. He was discussing the local traffic situation and the current holiday hazards program which the Texas Safety Association is conducting in cooperation with the Texas Department of Public Safety.

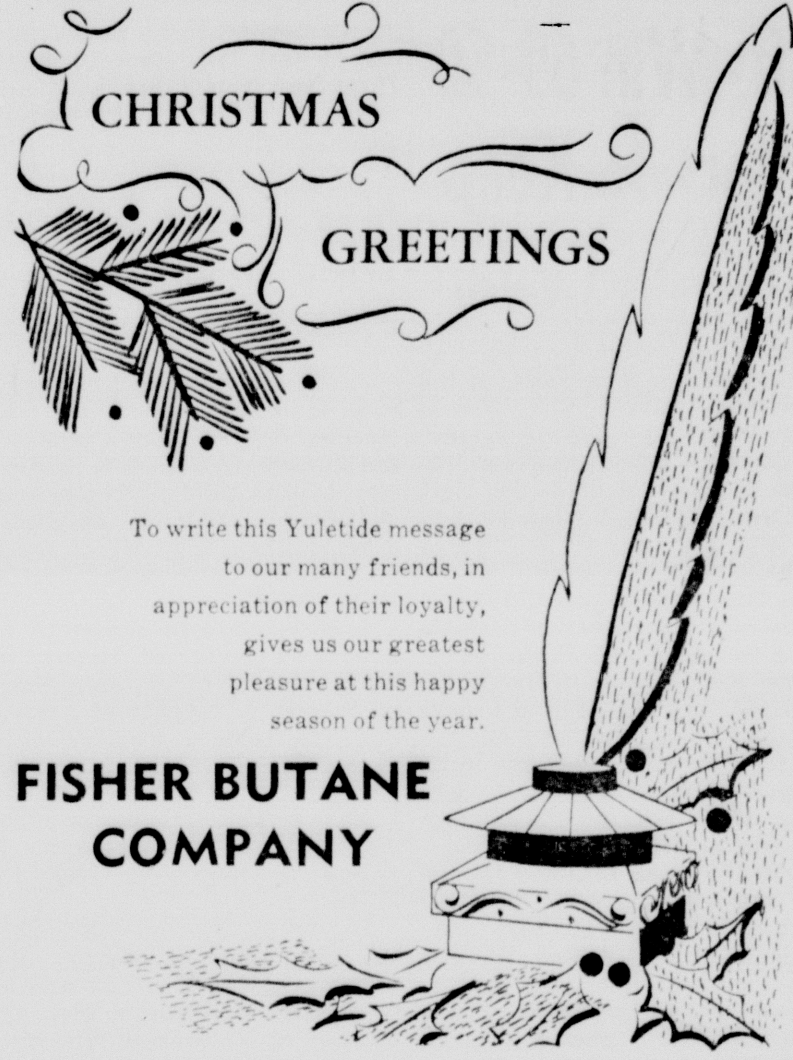
"The job of the traffic officer becomes more difficult as the holidays draw nearer," Col. Tilley explained. "People aren't too conscious of traffic laws any day in the year. And when the holiday mania gets in their blood, they are inclined to forget rules and regulations altogether."

He believes people in the grip of holiday mania have a one-track mind when they use the streets or sidewalks. "They're grimly intent on getting from where they are to where they want to go," he said, "and neither hail, rain nor traffic is going to keep them from their appointed course."

According to Col. Tilley, this leads to much confusion. Motorists seem oblivious to traffic signals and speed regulations, and they often weave through traffic craning their necks in search of parking places. Pedestrians hurry along sidewalks at break-neck pace, sometimes almost hidden behind umbrellas or piles of packages.

They dash out into the street in mid-block. When they do use crosswalks, they often fail to look out for cars before stepping from the curb.

"The traffic officer is sort of a middleman in this whole picture," he said. "He's got to bring order out of this traffic chaos. He must persuade walkers to stay on the curb until it's safe to cross, keep added motorists from snarling up traffic, and answer all sorts of sensible and senseless questions into the bargain. Walkers and



To write this Yuletide message to our many friends, in appreciation of their loyalty, gives us our greatest pleasure at this happy season of the year.

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drivers should give themselves and the traffic officers a break this Christmas by staying alert and alive in traffic."

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Miss Florence Coffee is home for the holidays from Austin where she is attending the University of Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Nester Gas of Hereford were here Monday on business.



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Bufs Win 69-50 Victory to Keep ENMU in Cellar

Coach Gus Miller's trampling Herd took their fifth game of the season and made it their second victory when they met the Eastern New Mexico Greyhounds in the fieldhouse Saturday night. The 69-50 loss for the Greyhounds was their eighth game and eighth loss for the season.

The Greyhounds gave the Bufs a considerable amount of trouble during the first part of the game. At the end of the first quarter the Bufs held a wobbly one point lead; the score was 9-8. By the time the first half ended the Bufs had pushed their lead up to five points, 30-25, but the Greyhounds were still a threat.

When the game resumed for the third quarter, Coach Miller sent in reservist John McClure, San Angelo junior. McClure hit the basket for the first field goal of the quarter. About midway of the quarter the Bufs poured through three field goals in less than a minute and held a lead that allowed them to relax and play ball. All-American Buff Troy Burrus was ahead in scoring for the Bufs with 21 points. The next high scorer was James Scott with 11, and third was Lawrence Overcast with 10.

Over in the Eastern New Mexico lineup Alton Warren and Jim Griggs tied for high point with 11 points each.

Sports scribes had given the Bufs the edge over ENMU in the Saturday night tilt. Coach Miller did a bit of experimenting with his lineup. The success of the experimenting will come out in

the Christmas doubleheader to be played here December 28 and 29. These two games are with tough opponents, Southwest Missouri and Texas Tech.

Mrs. McManigal Died in Neblett Hospital Sunday

Funeral services in memory of Mrs. M. B. McManigal were held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Presbyterian Church in Happy. Mrs. McManigal died Sunday morning at the Neblett Hospital of a heart attack from which she has suffered for three years. She was 76 years of age.

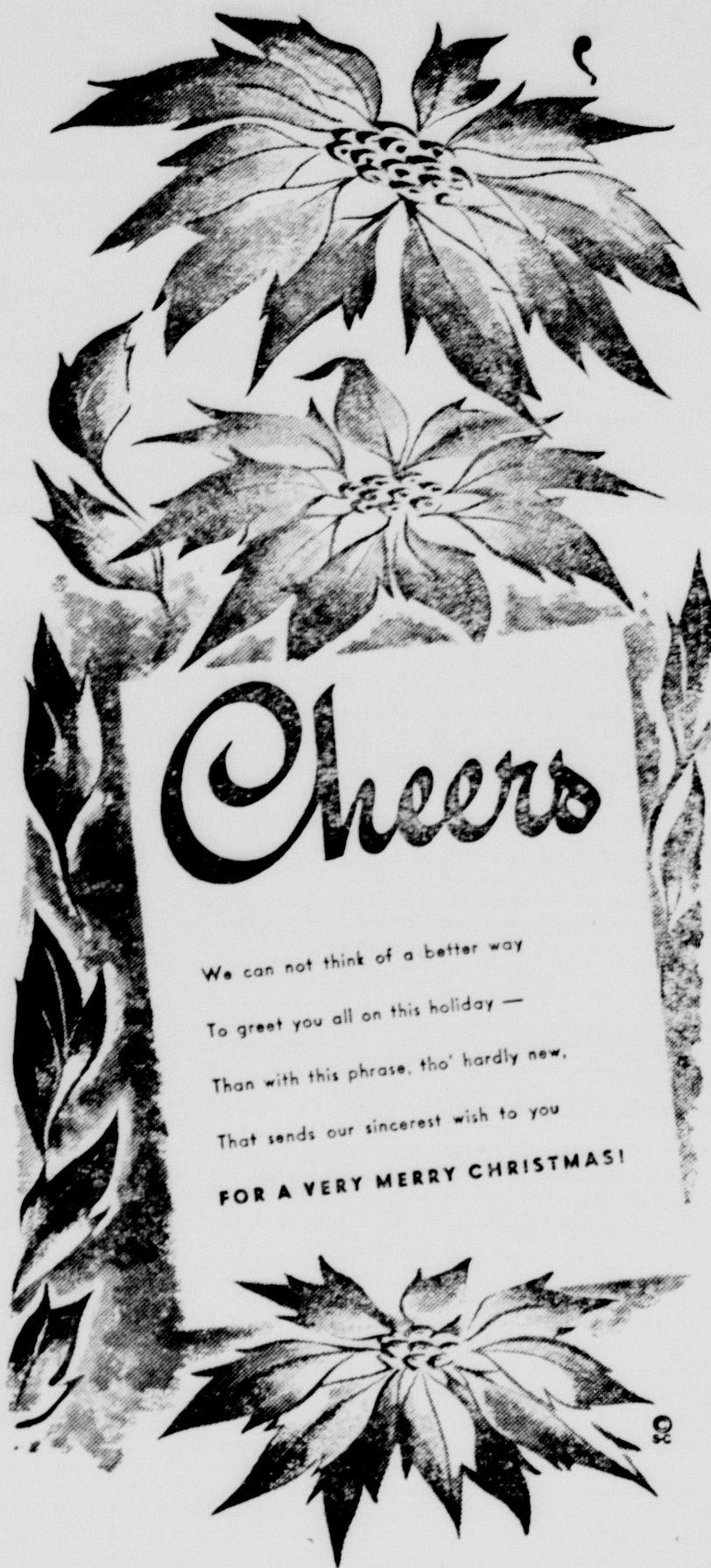
Services were in charge of Rev. Charles Yeargan of Happy, Rev. Homer Ackers of Portales, assisted by Rev. E. B. Fincher of Amarillo. She had been a member of the Presbyterian Church for many years.

Mrs. McManigal was born Nov. 30, 1877, in Harper, Iowa. She moved to Happy in 1909 from Wayne, Nebr.

Surviving are her husband, M. B. McManigal, of Happy; seven daughters, Mrs. E. White and Mrs. O. H. Rahlfs of Happy, Mrs. E. C. Shuman of White Deer, Mrs. Harley Maynard of Canyon, Mrs. Ray McCutchen of Phoenix, Ariz., Mrs. O. T. Thornton of South Plains, Mrs. John Brown of Tulsa; three sons, Hobart McManigal and Moreland McManigal of Happy, and Jack McManigal of Farwell; two brothers, Hobart Leucks of Long Beach, Calif., and Nick Leucks of Baker, Oregon; 25 grandchildren and 7 great-grandchildren.

Active pall bearers were Bob Francy, W. E. Miller, George Rahlfs, Alden Mann, Embury Findley, Homer Kinsey.

The body lay in state at the Griggs-Warren Funeral Home before removal to Happy for the funeral.



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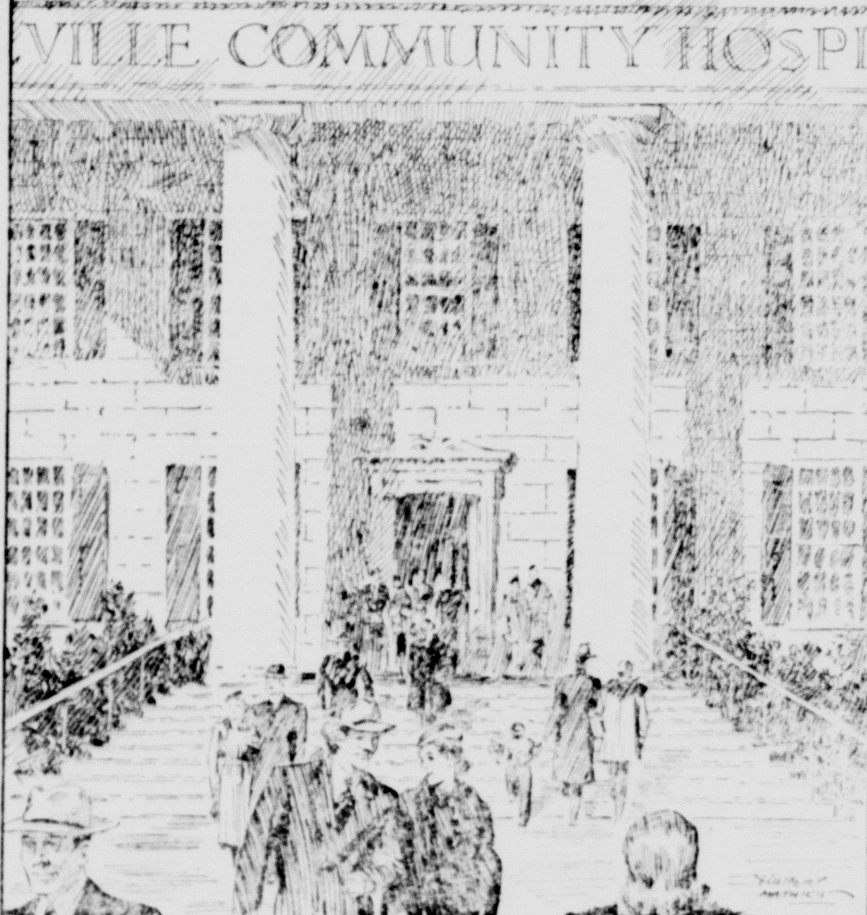
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School Census To Be Taken In January

An enactment of legislation during the last term at Austin has moved the time for taking the school census from March up to January. During the past the census has been taken in March but this has proved unsatisfactory because of the delay in getting proper information to the school officials. By taking the census in January the officials can have the information by the beginning of the school term instead of having it come in about mid-term.

Members of the school tax office need the full cooperation of the public. The financial help which the schools get from the state is based upon the census figures. Each school age child missed in the census will mean a loss of

money for the school. After the census figures are completed by officials the state education agency will check them for possible duplication.

By taking the census in January the officials hope the information will be ready for school officials in May instead of July. The same rules apply to the census that have been observed during the past. All school age children are counted. This means a child who reaches his, or her, sixth birthday by the first of September, 1954, but is not over 18 years of age, will be counted. Those beyond the age of 18 are not counted in the school census.

Henceforth I learn that to obey is best,
And love with fear the only God.
—Milton.

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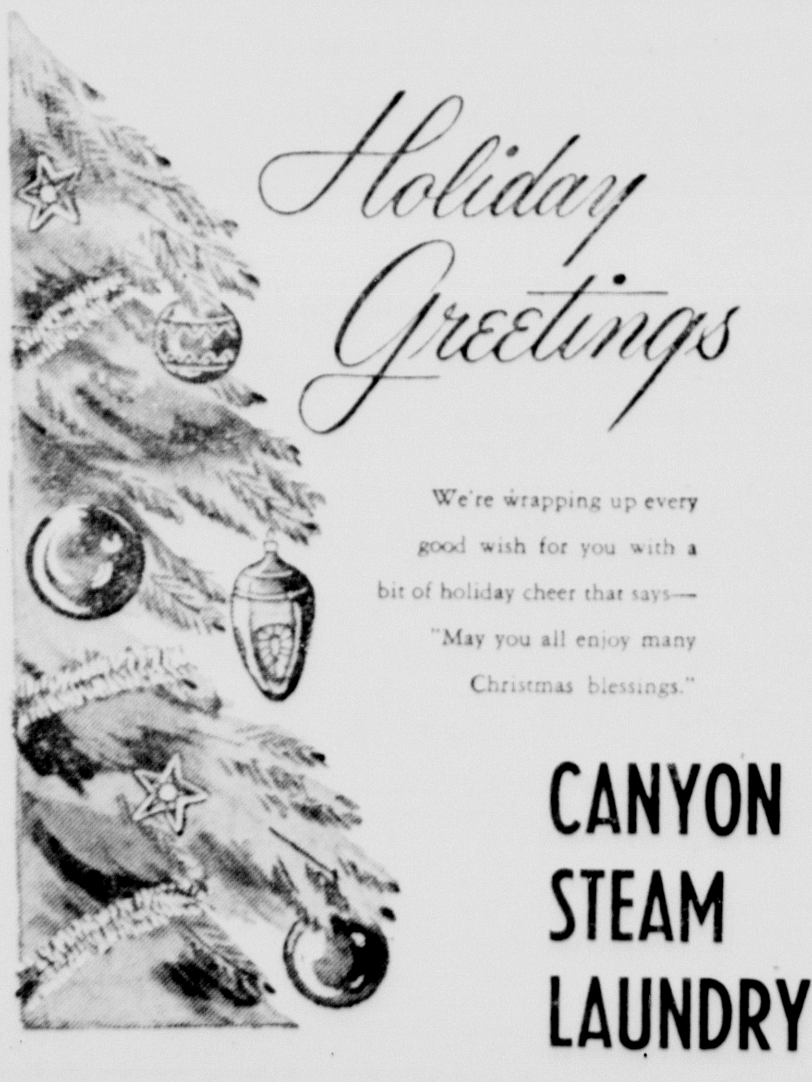
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Ten Steps Before Bombs Fall Here

A rainy-day project which would safeguard the health of millions of American families in a disaster has been outlined for the nation's home-makers by the Federal Civil Defense Administration.

The project: A simple home-preparedness program against disruption of family food, water and sanitation facilities in case of an enemy attack or in natural disasters such as floods, hurricanes and tornadoes.

FCDA, in cooperation with the Public Health Service, has compiled a checklist of what home-makers can do about emergency food, water and sanitation. The agency stresses the importance of making these simple preparations before disaster strikes.

1. Store right now the extra drinking water that your family might need. Don't wait for an emergency. When emergency occurs, drink only water or other liquids that you KNOW are safe.

2. Know how to turn off the water service valve if necessary, and learn where to get water for emergency drinking, cooking and washing if your outside supply fails.

3. Be prepared to purify water for drinking purposes in your own home, if necessary.

4. Keep a 3-day food supply on hand, and replace the things you use to keep your stock fresh or in good condition. In emergency, eat only safe foods prepared only under safe conditions.

5. Know what you can eat or drink safely. Avoid using foods or liquids that might be contaminated.

6. Keep emergency garbage in tightly-covered containers until collection and disposal services can be restored by health authorities. If the emergency lasts for several days, bury your garbage.

7. Provide for the disposal of human wastes in covered containers in the event flush toilets are not working. If the sewerage system is out for more than a few days, dig an outdoor latrine. Never expose human wastes to disease-carrying insects or animals. That's how epidemics start.

8. Learn how to make soil bags for emergency use if other sanitary arrangements fail.

9. Be ready to take care of frozen foods and refrigerated food supplies if the gas and electricity are shut off. Eat or cook such foods before they spoil. Don't refreeze any frozen foods that have thawed without cooking them first.

10. Don't listen to rumors about the safety of food and water supplies, and don't pass such rumors on to others. Observe official instructions only, as relayed by your warden and other civil defense authorities.

You should keep your food where it will be safe from contamination. Most kitchen cabinets, pantries or closets have doors that close tightly enough for safety.

The booklet, FCDA Publication H-11-1, "What To Do Now About Emergency Sanitation at Home," is for sale by the Superintendent of Documents, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D. C., for 15 cents.

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for your harvest of happiness!

Ten Biggest Stories of Year

FORT WORTH: The duel between Communism and the free world dominated the news in 1953. At least that is the opinion of beginning newspaper people who are first-year students in the TCU department of journalism.

In a poll taken by Prof. Warren K. Agee, department head, students selected six stories dealing with the Red menace in their "Ten Best News Stories of 1953."

Far and away the first choice was the end of the Korean "police action." The death of Premier Josef Stalin ranked second closely followed by the coronation of Elizabeth II.

Altogether, 30 stories were nominated for the list by the students. Some that drew interest but failed to make the top 10 included such items as U. N. action and decisions, our experiments with the H-bomb, the Big Three meeting in Bermuda, the epidemic of tornadoes in the U. S. and the elections in West Germany.

The "10 best" list with typical comment was:

1.—End of Korean Conflict. The end of a war that was not a war with nothing gained or settled. Yet it proved to the Communists that the free world is prepared to fight for principles.

2.—Stalin's Death. Important for two reasons: It brought to an end his regime as symbol of a power-

ful movement and opened the possibility of an internal eruption in Russia, leading to a change in policy.

3.—Coronation of Elizabeth. A postwar high spot for hard-pressed Britain, reminding of the crowning of the first Elizabeth in an era of great prosperity.

4.—Rosenbergs' Conviction and Execution. First instance of positive action by U. S. in combatting Communism with extreme penalty.

5.—Harry Dexter White Case. American people shocked to find men of such doubtful allegiance in such high office; caused them to wonder about official laxity.

6.—Bobby Greenlease Case. Big-kidnapping case since Lindbergh affair in 1930's.

7.—Repatriation of POW's. Great human interest story of families reunited with most intriguing angle of the 23 who refused to be repatriated.

8.—Disappearance of Lavrenti Beria. Fall of Russian secret police chief caused world-wide speculation.

9.—Inauguration of Eisenhower Regime. As first Republican ad-

ministration in 22 years, world was interested in possible changes of policies and direction of U. S. aims.

10.—Death of Robert A. Taft. Not only removed top political figure but came at crucial time in story of new Republican regime.

Store Not Liable For Exchange of Unwanted Presents

The season for returning Christmas gifts to stores for exchange is now upon us. Most business establishments are as cooperative as possible about this annual American pastime, but before getting into any arguments with a reluctant clerk or manager, better take a look at the legal situation involved. You may find that persuasion is more in order than demands for adjustment.

Department stores are under no legal obligation to take back a purchase and refund your money or deliver other goods in exchange

just because you changed your mind. Most stores do make refunds and exchanges, but that is because it is their policy to do so—not because they are required to.

However, a promise to refund or exchange merchandise made by the store or the salesman should be honored. Similarly, if a store misrepresents the quality of certain goods or if the goods are defective, you are justified in expecting a satisfactory adjustment. But you have no more legal right to expect a store to refund or exchange because you change your mind about a purchase than the store has to ask you to give back the goods that were sold to you because it didn't want to sell them after all.

Suppose you buy a coat in one store and you find that another company has it on sale for five dollars less. Must the store where you bought it take back the coat and give you a refund, or refund the difference in price? The seller is under no obligation to refund the difference, any more than he could make you pay the difference



Ring out, Oh bells,
For all our friends to hear,
the joyful song of
the Yuletide cheer —
And, may this Christmas
be the gayest, brightest
of all holidays!

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if he discovered that a competitor offered the same coat at a higher price than he had charged for it.

Much the same rules apply to the refund of deposits. Unless it is the policy of a store to refund deposits on articles, or at least apply the amount on the purchase of some other item, the buyer is obligated to go through with the terms of the contract, even though he has changed his mind about the purchase.

When one selects, orders, and deposits money on the purchase of an article, the store is under obligation to deliver the article in accordance with the terms of the sale. If the buyer refuses to accept the article or pay the remainder of the purchase price, the seller can take legal action against him, according to the terms of the contract.

The same principles apply to a trade-in allowance on used merchandise towards the purchase of a new article. Such a trade-in allowance is considered the same as a deposit.

Sen. McCarthy's "Write Ike" campaign brought in more than 1,500 telegrams to the White House in 30 hours.

Harrell Slack of Waco is home for the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burney Slack.

Revised editions of the Holy Bible, leather binding, \$10; cloth binding, \$6; at Warwicks. ff

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF RANDALL

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable 47th District Court of Randall County, Texas, on the 21st day of December, 1953, by the Clerk thereof, in the case of FIRST FEDERAL SAVINGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION OF AMARILLO, a corporation, PLAINTIFF VS. STUART H. CONDRON, JR., BOBBY L. CONDRON, sometimes known as Bobby LaFon Condron; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, FEDERAL HOUSING ADMINISTRATION, and AMARILLO NATIONAL BANK, DEFENDANTS, NO. 2612, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's sales, on the FIRST TUESDAY in February, A. D. 1954, it being the 2nd day of said month before the Court House door of Randall County, in the City of Canyon, Texas, the following described property, to-wit:

ALL OF LOTS NOS. ONE AND TWO (1 AND 2), EACH AND BOTH IN BLOCK NO. TWELVE (12) OF THE CONNER ADDITION TO THE CITY OF CANYON IN RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS, ACCORDING TO THE RECORDED MAP OR PLAT OF

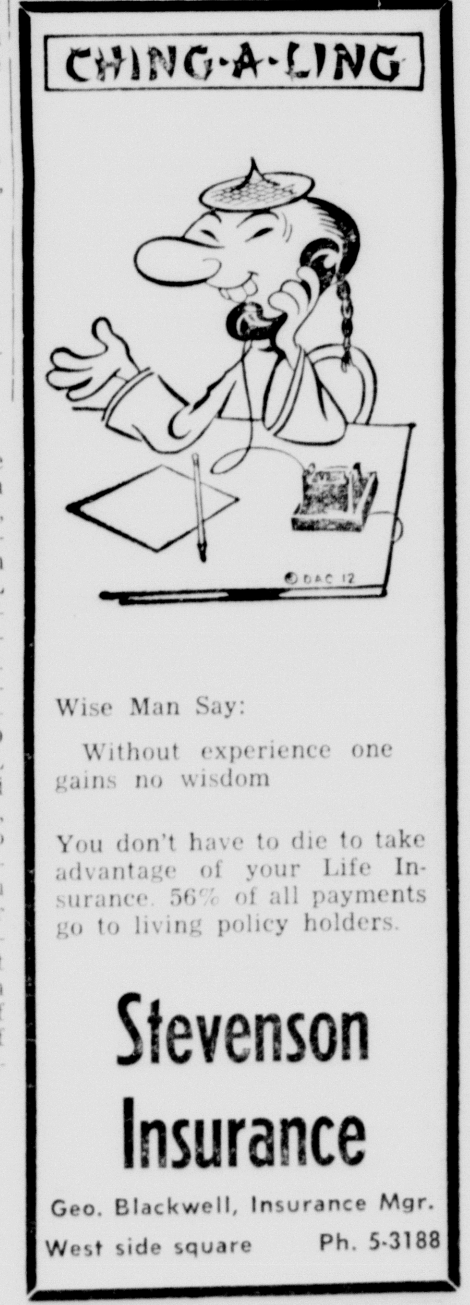
SAID ADDITION OF RECORD IN THE DEED RECORDS OF RANDALL COUNTY, TEXAS, REFERENCE TO WHICH IS HERE MADE, TOGETHER WITH ALL IMPROVEMENTS THEREON SITUATED.

Levied on this 21st day of December, 1953, as the property of Stuart H. Condron, Jr., and wife, Bobby L. Condron, sometimes known as Bobby LaFon Condron, to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$5,528.39 with interest from the 16th day of November, 1953, at 6% per annum, and all costs of suit, in favor of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Amarillo, a corporation, and to satisfy a subordinate judgment amounting to \$3,741.51 with interest from the 16th day of November, 1953, at 6% per annum, and all costs of suit, in favor of the intervening and cross plaintiff, United States of America and its Agency, Federal Housing Administration.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND, This 21st day of December, A. D., 1953.
By L. D. Caldwell, Deputy
L. S. JOHNSTON, Sheriff
Randall County, Texas

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CHING-A-LING



Wise Man Say:
Without experience one gains no wisdom

You don't have to die to take advantage of your Life Insurance. 56% of all payments go to living policy holders.

Stevenson Insurance

Geo. Blackwell, Insurance Mgr.
West side square Ph. 5-3188

A Twinge of Conscience



For the Convenience of the Public

The following physicians, pharmacists and the ambulance service may be reached by calling

NEBLETT HOSPITAL, 5-2143

If there is no answer at their listed telephone numbers:

PHYSICIANS

Leta N. Boswell, M. D.
Robert P. Jarrett, M. D.
Bert A. Masters, M. D.
Dudley Moore, Jr. M. D.
R. A. Neblett, M. D.
C. R. Nester, M. D.

AMBULANCE

Griggs-Warren
Funeral Home

PHARMACISTS

Riley Troth,
Canyon Drug
Scott Clark,
Canyon Drug
R. A. Smith,
The Pharmacy
J. J. Walker,
J. J. Walker Prescription Laboratory
J. D. Byrd,
J. J. Walker Prescription Laboratory

This service is offered as a public convenience in order that you may always get your Doctor or ambulance at any hour of the night.



**A FRIENDLY MESSAGE
FROM GOOD OLD SAINT NICK!**

Christmas is many things beautiful! It is the excitement of happy children . . . the silent reverence of folks at prayer . . . the family gatherings . . . the carolers singing . . . the feeling of well-being . . . peace and good-will of man to man! Above all — Christmas is people! And to you, dear folks who are our friends and customers: HAVE A WONDERFUL CHRISTMAS!

From Your County Officials

Roy Joe Stevens
County Judge

L. S. Johnston
Sheriff

Bill Money
Tax Assessor and Collector

T. H. Lair
County Clerk

Ethel Mullins
District Clerk

Mrs. Ruth Adcock Hill
Treasurer

Gene McGlasson
County Attorney

P. H. Baber
Commissioner Precinct 1

Clarence Beckman
Commissioner Precinct 2

Glenn W. Dowlen
Commissioner Precinct 3

Charles Y. Johnson
Commissioner Precinct 4

E. T. Cummings
County Auditor

Carl Anderson
Justice of Peace Precinct 1

Mrs. W. J. Flesher
Justice of Peace Precinct 4

John Brazzil
County Agent

Miss Lou Ella Patterson
Home Demonstration Agent

W. T. McGregor
County Surveyor



WARMEST
YULETIDE
WISHES!

**Mickle
Barber Shop**

Junior Livestock Show Date Set

February 20, 1954, is the date for the next Randall County Junior Livestock show. At recent meetings of the show directors plans for the show were developed. Mutt Myers, association president, together with the directors has assigned responsibilities for the many tasks necessary for a well run organization.

There are now 239 dues-paying members of the Randall County Junior Livestock show association. In size alone, this organization is one of the county's largest. In the quality of work and enthusiasm for the purpose of helping county boys and girls it is unsurpassed.

The show offers the youth of this county an opportunity to exhibit their products before the public. These products are noted for their excellence. This year the exhibitors have been fighting the battle of lower prices and higher costs just as the nation's farmers and cattlemen have done. They are learning the lessons of agriculture.

The number of exhibitors will be about the same as last year. Perhaps a smaller number of steers

will be shown. The hog show is expected to equal last year's showing.

The animals will be brought to Canyon on February 19 and the showing and sale will be on February 20. The superintendent of the beef cattle division will be Glenn Dowlen. Richmond Hales will handle the sale after the show. James Bible will work with the swine department and Newton Crain will handle the lambs. Milton Morris will head the finance committee.

February 6th has been tentatively chosen as the date for the annual tour to see the animals on the farm as the boys and girls are fitting and feeding them before the show date a sifting committee will sift out undesirable animals. Only those animals showing finish and training will be exhibited.

Donna Erwin To Be Princess in Sun Bowl Fete

Miss Donna Erwin and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Erwin, will leave Saturday for El Paso where Miss Erwin will represent West Texas State College as Princess in the Sun Bowl festivities.

Miss Erwin, a senior in W. T., was selected for the position of Princess in a vote of the students. The Sun Bowl football game will be played in El Paso on New Year's day.

Frank Norfleet on Visit With Hills

Frank Norfleet spent a few days here last week visiting with Dr. J. A. Hill, president emeritus of W. T. The two have been friends throughout many years.

Mr. Norfleet was a prosperous farmer near Hale Center until he was fleeced out of thousands of dollars by crooks who played the confidence game. After that he joined the United States law enforcement agency in tracking down and bringing to justice criminals. He caught nearly 100 confidence men before he retired.

His book on his work attracted much attention years ago.

Miss Wilroy Sends Greetings to Friends

Miss Frances Wilroy, former Home Demonstration Agent of Randall county, sent Christmas greetings to her friends in Randall county, with a little note of her present work.

Miss Wilroy is stationed in Tokyo, Japan, and is buyer of art goods for the American exchange in that city. Her purchases total several million dollars during the year. All of the goods are sold exclusively to American troops.

Letters To Santa Claus

Dear Santa,

I hope I've been good enough for you to bring me a sidewalk bike and maybe a wagon. My little sister, Fawneil, fusses a lot, but I guess she needs something anyway. She'd like a table and chairs. We'll be at grandmother's Christmas eve — so come there

Love,
Randy Price

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Winfred Wayne Kelly to Gwen-dolyn Lee Parker, Dec. 14.

Clyde Allen Layman to Bonnie Mae Firestone, Dec. 14.

Bobbie Ray Barnard to Joyce Genell Roark, Dec. 15.

Jimmy Ewell Peggram to Shirley Ann Bishop, Dec. 17.

Walter Earl Haws to Francis Wynelle Montgomery, Dec. 14.

Deals In Dirt

George A. Reed and wife, Clydeen Reed, to Reginald G. Howerton and wife, Frances V. Howerton, lot no. 9 in block no. 27-F, South Lawn.

Mid-Century Homes to Dave M. Hickman and wife, Darlene Hickman, lot no. 5 in block no. 39-H, South Lawn.

A. T. Owens to Clyde Martin and wife, Abbie A. Martin, lot no. 15 in block no. 14, Paramount Terrace.

Norman Penhall and wife, Mary Frances Penhall, to Harley G. Woods and wife, LaUna Woods, lot no. 11 in block no. 11, Hermitage Addition.

Mid-Century Homes to Edwin L. Hutson and wife, Anna Ruth Hutson, lot no. 10 in block no. 39-H, South Lawn.

Juanita Lewis to L. R. Shaddix, lot no. 10 in block no. 19-D, South Lawn.

W. W. Lovelady and wife, Margaret LaNelle Lovelady, to John W. Beaudoin and wife, June Beaudoin, lot no. 13 in block no. 2, Paramount Addition.

Irene Ellen Kemp to H. W. Sherriff and wife, Lillian Sherriff, lot no. 7 in block no. 4, Edgerfield Addition.

Robert Allen Hickman, Jr., and wife, Mary Claude Hickman, to R. B. Pike, lot no. 24 in block no. 16, Paramount Terrace.

Hi-Plains Housing Co. to Donald H. Mason, lot no. 9 in block no. 17, Westhaven Park Addition.

Hi-Plains Investment Co. to M. H. Loewenstern, lot no. 11 in block no. 20, Westhaven Park Addition.

Home Building and Realty Co. to Frank O. Holland and wife, Anita E. Holland, lot no. 2 in block no. 1, Paramount Addition.

R. E. Fyfe and wife, Dorothy Fyfe, to Carl L. King, Sr., all of lot no. 18 in block no. 10, Paramount Addition.

Ulric Clyde Fleming and wife, Violet June Fleming, to Virgil E. Van Camp and wife, Ann Van Camp, lot no. 8 in block no. 7, Paramount Terrace.

Roy M. Cline, Jr., to Durohomes, Inc., lots numbers 1 and 6 in block no. 1, Kings Acres Addition.

Thomas P. Boyd and wife, Hilda Boyd, to E. E. Cooper, lot no. 9 in block no. 6, T-Ancor Addition.

Q. J. Barker and wife, Ila O. Barker, to William Franklin Harrell and wife, Beverly Jo Harrell, lot no. 3 in block no. 11, Westhaven Park.

Gladys Boykin to Charles M. Walker, lot no. 7 in block "I", Broadmoor Addition.

John W. Beaudoin and wife, June Beaudoin, to W. W. Lovelady and wife, LaNelle Lovelady, lot no. 14 in block 4-B, South Lawn.

J. H. Brown and wife, Anna O. Brown, to Robert Lee Brown and Joseph Harry Brown, Jr., a tract of land out of the west one-half of section no. 185, block no. 2, A.B. & M. Survey.

J. H. Brown and wife, Anna O. Brown, to Robert L. Brown and Joe H. Brown, a part of block no. 5, of the Eberstadt and Brock Subdivision.

Wolfen Park, Inc., to S. H. Scott, lot no. 6 in block no. 94, Wolfen Park Addition.

Glen L. Casey to John R. Mathias, 171 acres out of section no. 30, block no. 9, B.S. & F. Survey.

Carl L. King, Sr., to Forest T. Blount and wife, Geraldine Blount, lot no. 18 in block no. 10, Paramount Addition.

E. O. Milburn, J. Robert Russell, and Samuel W. Jones to Curtis Bryan Timmons and Elizabeth Ann Timmons, lot no. 10 in block no. 18, Paramount Terrace.

Bill Dodgin and wife, Mary Sue Dodgin, to Alfred M. Gibbons and wife, Mary A. Gibbons, lot no. 16 in block no. 6, Paramount Addition.

Clarence Spears to T. C. Shafer, the south 20 foot lot no. 8 and the

West Texas Gas Co. Gives Awards

West Texas Gas Company celebrated the annual Christmas party this year with an area meeting in Plainview. Safety awards were presented to those who qualified and the group also heard a report by B. C. Barrett, newly elected president of the Texas Plains Safety Service Club. Barrett reported on his recent trip to the National Safety Congress in Chicago.

Safety Awards were presented by C. I. Wall, president of West Texas Gas Company. Six local men were presented five year award pins. They are C. B. Clark, L. H. Stevens, C. E. Clark, D. E. Donnell, and Wayne Sanford, all from the McSpadden Compressor Station. Chester Reynolds, the city plant operator, also received a five year award pin.

The other person receiving an award was C. C. Stephens, superintendent of the McSpadden Compressor Station, who received the 15-year award pin.

north 30 feet in lot no. 9, block no. 11-B, South Lawn.

LeRoy Campsey and wife, Mary Sue Campsey, to Earl M. Francies and wife, Ozell P. Francies, lot no. 19 in block no. 31-F, South Lawn.

Wolfen Park, Inc., to J. J. Simons and wife, Dorothy Hoppin Simons, lot no. 12 in block no. 94, Wolfen Park.

Ira S. Wall and Reid Strickland to Ray C. Love and wife, Vivian Omiteene Love, lot no. 13 in block no. 3, Paramount Terrace.

Ira S. Wall and wife, Tennie Wall, and Reid Strickland to Donald S. Taylor and wife, Eloyse P. Taylor, all of lot no. 7 in block no. 94, Wolfen Park Addition.

William Yauk, Jr., and wife, Ruby N. Yauk, to Lamar Houses, Inc., lot no. 10 in block no. 27-F, South Lawn.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vineyard and children of Midland spent the week-end here visiting in the homes of relatives.

AMERICAN PLAN

Visitor — Those are wonderful strawberries you have there. Do you use fertilizer on them?

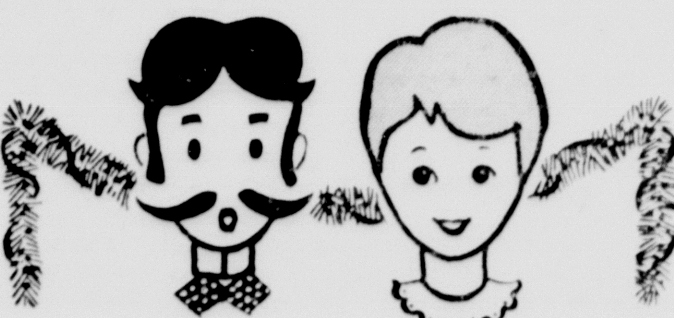
Farmer — No, just cream and sugar.

FOR A HAPPY HOLIDAY

May your Christmas be
full of fun and frolic!



**Sammie's
Beauty
Shop**



A Good Old-Fashioned Christmas
to You and Yours

CHEATHAM'S CLOTHIERS



Season's
Greetings

AND ALL GOOD WISHES

FOR A HAPPY NEW YEAR

VAN'S CITY SERVICE



May our friendship continue
to blossom this CHRISTMAS
and in the days to come!

WEST TEXAS MOTOR CO.

J. H. Buchanan, Ford Agency



GREETINGS OF
THE SEASON

May your Christmas be
replete with the
rich blessings of
the holy season...

W. H. HARDEN

REAL ESTATE AND
INSURANCE



COLE & MOORE



**HOLIDAY
GREETINGS**

In the spirit of friendliness and
good cheer of the Christmas Season —
we thank you for the many favors, and
wish you all an old-fashioned Yule
abounding with cheer and happiness.

Consumers Fuel Assn., Inc.

will close 1 p. m. 24th and
Christmas Day



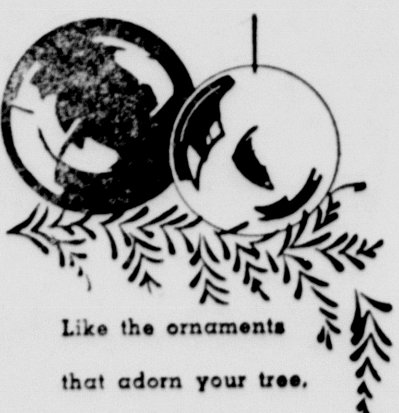
One of the memorable joys of Christmas
is the pungent aroma of pine needles...
Another is the privilege of wishing happiness
to our friends.

PRICE GROCERY



To all our many friends who've been so dear,
And to our many customers so loyal,
We wish you all the best of luck and cheer;
And happiness to make your Christmas royal!

CANYON DRUG



Like the ornaments
that adorn your tree,
may your holiday
celebration be
festooned with fun
and gaiety.

**Marshall
Auto**



We extend our sincerest wish that
your holiday be filled with spiritual
joys and all the happiness that express
the deepest significance of the blessed
Yuletide....

B. C. Taylor Service Station



Randall County Abstract Co.

LOANS

A. B. Holt, Owner

ABSTRACTS

JOY

AT CHRISTMAS

Our greatest delight, at this happy time of the year, is to wish our many loyal customers and friends a holiday season filled with the sparkle and gaiety of the Yuletide spirit.

K. L. POND AGENCY



H.R.'s
Greenhouse

Invest Your Printing Money in Canyon

CHRISTMAS AROUND THE WORLD

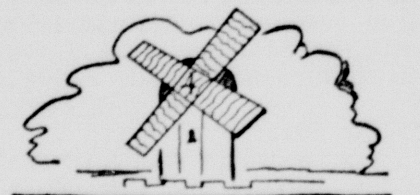
UNITED STATES (Merry Christmas)—Christmas tree, mistletoe and Santa Claus.



BRAZIL (Boas Festas)—A family dinner is first on the list of festive celebrations in Brazil. Christmas trees, gift exchanges and other typical U.S. holiday customs are being adopted in South America.



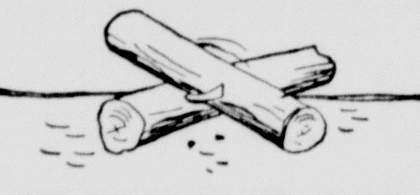
HOLLAND (Hartellike Kertgrooten)—Land of old St. Nicholas, forerunner of our Santa Claus. In former years, the Dutch celebrated for a month. St. Nick scattered his gifts about the floors of Dutch homes as early as December 6.



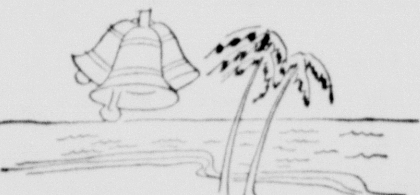
ITALY (Bono Natale)—Shepherds gather in villages on Christmas Eve to play musical instruments as townfolks sing sweet Nativity songs. Thousands flock to St. Peter's in Rome on Christmas Day.



GREECE (Kala Xristouyea)—Decorated trees, greeting cards and gift exchanges are season highlights. New Year's Eve is really the top holiday, with big dances, parties and other celebrations for young and old.



PHILIPPINE ISLANDS (Maligayang Pasko)—Church services, singing and dancing are Yuletide favorites in the islands.



First Community Tree At Christmas Was Held In City of Cleveland

THE COMMUNITY Christmas tree idea was born in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1912. The community raised funds to defray the cost of the tree and celebrations through the sale of preferred stock in "Cleveland, the city of good will (unlimited), incorporated under the laws of the commonwealth of good cheer."

Holders of preferred stock were entitled to "dividends payable daily in the form of happy voices of robust children, the contented faces of friendly fellow citizens and the advancement of the city of good will."

Sale of stock was pushed everywhere, the most unique place being the Cleveland stock exchange where the stock was listed at the head of other securities. The sale brought \$12,000, which purchased Christmas cheer for 13,000 citizens, as well as the first community Christmas for the city.



SNOWMEN FOR YOU . . .

Your local lumber dealer may have patterns for these plywood and hardboard "snowmen" which you can make yourself. If not, use this picture for a pattern and go to work.



By Shirley Sargent

I'M ELEVEN, it's New Year's Eve and mom has got Gertie Wycott for our sitter. Imagine! Gertie who's in my very own school, so dumb she's only a grade ahead of me even if she is thirteen. I guess mom's told me a hundred times that we have to have a sitter to take care of Billy, he's only seven, and Marie, who's three and a half, and, most especially, the baby. It's a sure fire cinch I can handle Billy and Marie, but that baby with his diapers and crying all of a sudden—well, Mom's right, he's too much responsibility.

"Course all our regular sitters had dates for tonight so mom was lucky to get anybody. But Gertie! And her telling me to go to bed at 9:30 on New Year's Eve!

I'm not staying in bed, that's for sure; I'm going to see the New Year in! Listen to all the noise I've heard about. All these years, I've been going to sleep and next morning, waking up, like magic, in a new year with a new number.

When Billy wakes up I just whisper in his ear and he pulls that "I want my mommy" scene. Boy, is he ever loud. I burst outta my room like a Boy Scout, when I hear Gertie coming, shouting, "I'll take care of him!"

"I'll handle this," she gives me one of her movie magazine stares. "Get back in bed before you catch cold."

So while she's trying to shush Billy, I go downstairs and queer the TV set. Pull out the plug and change the aerial. Time I'm back upstairs, Billy's quiet. I can't figure out how she did it. When she goes downstairs I watch, from the top of the landing, and it takes her 'til almost eleven to get the TV going again.

I'm sorta upset. First Billy falls me and now she's got the TV working. About the time I'm feeling sleepy the baby lets out a wailing cry and Gertie's up the stairs so fast I barely have time to get back in my room. She has a time with him and then can't find the diapers 'cause I hid 'em. And when everything's under control, Marie needs to go to the bathroom. Quick.

BY THAT TIME, it's nearly midnight. Almost time for the New Year to come. I sneak downstairs. And there's Gertie curled up in

the wing chair, crying. Finally I ask, "What's the matter?"

She just sobs louder. I ask anxiously, "What's wrong?"

"Just everything." She blows her nose hard and looks at me and what do you know? Most of her lipsticks gone and she looks young and scared. "This is the first time I've ever had a real job and I need the money and I've done everything wrong."

"What do you mean wrong?" All of a sudden I'm worrying about how she made Billy stop crying.

"I had to put Billy in your folks' bed so he'd be still and I couldn't



There's Gertie, curled up in the wing chair, crying.

find a diaper so I put a dishtowel on the baby and the television works funny."

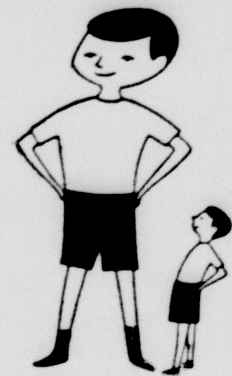
"Course I feel sorta shamed, like a heel. Look." I say as I adjust the knobs on our set until the picture's clear. Time we get back downstairs—from changing the baby into his diapers and putting Billy where he belonged—it was 12:03.

1952! I'd missed the magic moment when 1951 turned into 1952. Don't get me wrong, I never fell for that "little New Year" business anymore'n I believe in Santa Claus. That stuff's for Billy and Marie, but there had to be a magic minute. All I remembered hearing while we were upstairs were some noises like backfire. The TV screen showed a bunch of dopes throwing paper at each other and blowing Halloween horns. That was all. Nothing exciting.

I found a blanket and pillow and put them on the couch for Gertie. And she was smiling, thanking me for helping her. I'm sorry for her. Catch me staying up all hours to take care of three characters just to earn money—no sir.

So I say, "Happy New Year," meaning it, and head for bed. The heck with magic, I'm sleepy. Only I'll never understand about missing that magic minute anymore'n I can figure why Gertie wants to earn money baby sitting when she could mow lawns.

Giant boy



Recently, a group of scientists and engineers was asked to predict what's next.

Now that we have electrified farms, factories and homes, is that the end? The answer appears to be no, that the electrical industry is a "giant boy" with its great growth still ahead. Here are some of the predictions.

Take a personal thing first. Millions of homes will have heat pumps to heat and cool automatically—using electricity for fuel.

You can expect to cook food someday by electronics—in seconds. Electrical incinerators will consume your waste paper and waste food. Dust will be taken from the air electrically. The day may come when TV screens hang like pictures on the wall, with only a tiny wire to the set.

Nuclear fuels are on the timetable of the scientists. Energy from the atom will eventually be a major source of power, regardless of whether fossil fuels are seriously depleted. By century's end, most new plants generating electricity will operate with atomic (fission) fuel. Aircraft, battleships and the like will measure fuel consumption in grams.

Storing heat from the sun is another long-range project of scientists, with billions in savings as the potential result.

The year 2000 looks big and distant. Actually it is only 47 years away. By then, any puny prognostications made today will have been rewritten many times. But larger. Electricity has always been a field where each new fact generates many more things new. The years should be interesting to watch.

You can put your confidence in—

GENERAL ELECTRIC

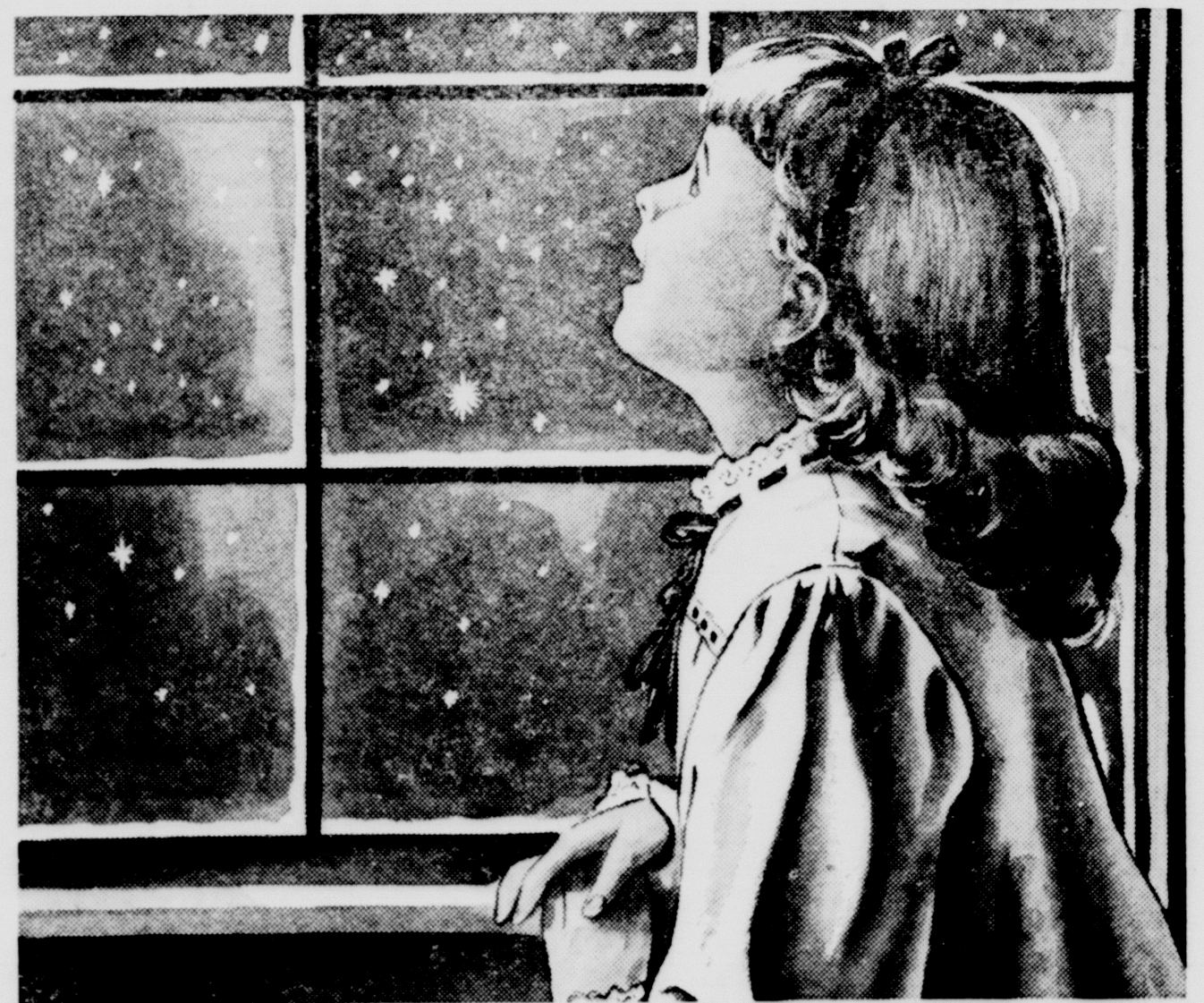
SPEEDER LATER DIES

Atlanta, Ga. — Three hours after being given a ticket for speeding Grover C. Forts, a Negro, was killed when his car, traveling at a speed estimated by police at 75 miles an hour crashed into a utility pole.

FIRST IN 101 YEARS

Los Angeles, Calif. — Mrs. Susan Ed Boyer says an extra large H. Bean recently entered the hos-mosquito alighted on his arm the pital for the first time in 101 other day and instead of sucking years. She celebrated her 101st blood out of him it gave him a birthday in the hospital. Mrs. Bean blood transfusion. Now Ed is wor-has 12 children, 22 grandchildren ried for fear it wasn't the right and three great-grandchildren. type of blood.

WILD LIFE



CAROL

We cannot bring to Thee
Frankincense . . . treasure . . .
Angel songs filling earth
With heavenly measure . . .

Out of our yearning hearts
We proffer only:
Wonder in children's eyes . . .
Love for the lonely . . .

Laughter to lift sad hearts . . .
Warmth for the stranger . . .
Bless these, our gifts to Thee,
Child of the Manger!

SOUTHWESTERN
PUBLIC SERVICE
COMPANY

Who Will Be Closed Dec. 26

There is a varied opinion about the necessity of taking three days out for Christmas this year. Therefore, each business firm will decide for itself what course shall be taken.

L. W. Cole, president of the First National Bank, states that while the practice is general among banks to take Saturday off, he believes that the bank is a public service institution and therefore the First National will be open Dec. 26 until noon as usual.

C. L. Thompson states that Thompson Hardware Co. will be closed Monday for inventory, and therefore will be opened all day Saturday, Dec. 26, in order to clean up the stock and get ready for inventory.

T. A. Black states that his dry goods store will be opened as usual all day Saturday. Inventory time will start as soon as Christmas is out of the way.

W. A. Warren says that it will take his entire force a full day to get ready for inventory, and therefore the store will be opened Saturday. "We may not sell much merchandise, but it will be a day to get ready for inventory."

Clyde W. Warwick, publisher of The News, says that The News will open up on the annual inventory Saturday morning, Dec. 26. "We have never closed the day following Christmas as this is the time for us to get Christmas decorations down, and start inventory."

The grocery stores continued their specials of last week-end through Dec. 24 and will therefore take Saturday off.

The lumber yards will observe the day after Christmas as usual, according to previous announcement.

Drug stores and service stations will be open for business on Dec. 26.

As stated in the opening paragraph of this review, the question of staying open or being closed will depend entirely upon the management of the business. Some will take off December 26, while others will be closed on Christmas, Saturday, and Sunday.

Eight states — California, New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Illinois, Texas, Michigan, and New Jersey — register half of the motor cars in the U. S.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION THE STATE OF TEXAS

TO: Bessie Shannon, Defendant, Greeting:

YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED to appear before the Honorable 47th Judicial District Court of Randall County at the Courthouse thereof, in Canyon, Texas, by filing a written answer at or before 10 o'clock A. M. of the first Monday next after the expiration of forty-two days from the date of the issuance of this citation, same being the 25th day of January A. D. 1954, to Plaintiff's Petition filed in said court, on the 7th day of December A. D. 1953, in this cause, numbered 2690 on the docket of said court and styled Fred Shannon, Plaintiff, vs. Bessie Shannon, Defendant.

A brief statement of the nature of this suit is as follows, to-wit: Suit for a divorce because of over three years abandonment of plaintiff by defendant; no children or property involved, as is more fully shown by Plaintiff's Petition on file in this suit.

If this citation is not served within ninety days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

The officer executing this writ shall promptly serve the same according to requirements of law, and the mandates hereof, and make due return as the law directs.

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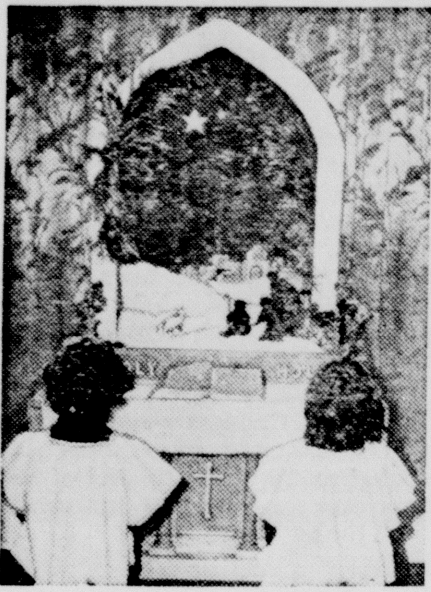
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PRAYER . . . "O come let us adore him", these children pray on Christmas eve. Their prayer is the true and greatest gift of all.

'Silent Night' Hymn Is Often Called Song From Heaven

"Silent Night" is often called the "Song from Heaven" because the story of its inspiration and composition is one of the most beautiful Christmas stories in existence.

On December 24, 1818, in the Austrian village of Hallein, as Father Joseph Mohr sat reading his Bible, there was a knock at his door. It was a peasant woman who wanted the priest to visit a poor charcoal-maker's wife to whom a child had been born. The parents had sent her to ask the priest to come and bless the infant.

Father Mohr was strangely moved by the visit to the mother. And that evening as he returned to his home saw that the dark slopes of the Alps around the village were



alight with torches of the mountaineers on their way to church. To him it was a Christmas miracle.

Later, as he tried to put down on paper his feeling and experience, the words kept turning into verse. When dawn came he found he had written a poem—a beautiful and moving poem.

On Christmas Day his friend, Franz Xaver Gruber, music teacher in the village school, composed music to fit the verses.

Village children heard the priest and teacher singing the song and learned it. From there it spread throughout the world. Today, it is regarded as the greatest Christmas hymn and wherever there are men of good will they sing:

"Silent night, holy night—
All is calm, all is bright,
Round you Virgin, Mother and Child;

Holy Infant, so tender and mild,
Sleep in heavenly peace—
Sleep in heavenly peace."

History of Christmas Seals

When you see the Christmas seal do you ever wonder how it started?

It was born in Denmark, home of the fairy tales of Hans Christian Andersen.

Einar Holboell, a Copenhagen postal clerk, was sorting mail one snowy afternoon before Christmas, 1903, when he thought of the idea of a penny stamp to swell a fund for children's hospitals.

Authorized by King Christian, the first Christmas seals were sold in Copenhagen in 1904.

Holboell's scheme outgrew his wildest imaginings, for before his death in 1927, he lived to see it spread to 45 countries.

The seals found their way to America on letters and packages and first attracted the attention of Jacob Riis who wrote an article about them. Few people, however, were interested in the idea.

Then, in the autumn of 1907, Emily Bissell, a public health worker, concerned about the fate of a small sanatorium, recalled the article and sat down to sketch America's first Christmas seal, a wreath of holly encircling the words "Merry Christmas."

With 50,000 stamps printed and nowhere to sell them, Miss Bissell at last enlisted the aid of a columnist on a Philadelphia newspaper. The idea caught and within a few weeks \$3,000 was collected.

The first nation-wide sale was held the following year and was backed by newspapers all over the country, religious and civic groups, and sponsored by the American Red Cross and the National Tuberculosis association.

Egyptians Made Elaborate Dolls For Children

No one knows for sure who made the first doll, but it can be assumed the earliest figures were sacred—gods and ancestor images. These doll-like forms were not toys for the delight of children, but solemn religious figures that preserved the tribe from harm.

Then, somehow, somewhere, a change took place. Dolls became a toy for girls and the most popular Christmas toy of them all.

Dolls have been discovered in Egyptian tombs and ruins, some even had real hair; some were ivory, carved by craftsmen for a king's daughter; others were made of straw by an overworked mother in a peasant's hut.

In ancient Greece dolls were played with and cherished by little girls until they were ready to be married. Then (their dolls were taken to the shrine of a favorite goddess) and, often with tears, presented to her. The Roman children played with dolls, too, but after the fall of the Empire there came a long period in which there is no record of dolls.

Not until the thirteenth century when dolls were made in Nuremberg and dressed in the fashions of the times did little girls again play with dolls. They were here to stay.

By and by in Europe, the French fashion dolls became all the rage, not for children to play with but as models from which fine ladies could pattern their own modish costumes.

In America, the Indian children had dolls of their own made of rawhide and feathers and wood. Pioneer children had dolls much like these, and some were made of braided cornhusks, or nuts, or corncobs, or rags, and were dearly loved in spite of their plainness.

Much later, lifelike dolls were imported from Germany, where the doll industry had reached enormous proportions. These dolls had fine china heads with carefully painted faces and kid bodies that were jointed at the arms and legs. Later there came the Japanese-made dolls, which were inexpensive enough for almost any child to own. Then the American-made dolls began to appear—the special dolls, the kewpies, billikens, Buster Browns, teddy bears, Patsy dolls and Shirley Temples and phonograph dolls, with all the host of others that have followed and which are still to come. For dolls always will be part of childhood and part of Christmases as long as there are little girls and boys to play with them, and parents and fond kinfolk to buy.

Burial Place of Santa Said to Be in Italy

SANTA CLAUS, otherwise St. Nicholas, otherwise the one-time bishop of Myra in Asia Minor, is buried in Bari, Italy. His body was stolen from its original tomb in Myra and swiftly borne to Bari by Italian sailors, who thought back in 1087 that a saint's body brought prosperity and good luck to your town.

St. Nicholas, who was tortured and imprisoned for his faith during the reign of Emperor Diocletian, found no rest in his first tomb at Myra. Always some expedition was attempting to remove his remains.

However, once buried again in Bari, the saint's body was credited with curing 30 people of distemper and performing other miracles. So Bari became a place of pilgrimage, and the legends about St. Nicholas multiplied apace.

We owe our notion of Santa Claus as a secret dispenser of gifts to a story that St. Nicholas once saved three girls from a life of prostitution by throwing purses of gold through a window in Patara, thus permitting a poverty stricken nobleman to give his daughters suitable dowries as custom demanded.

In addition, St. Nicholas was credited with restoring life to some boys who had been slain and dismembered by a wicked innkeeper of Myra—hence the occasional stained glass windows in which the saint is shown beside three lads in a tub.



TIME OUT . . . Santa Claus pauses in his Christmas Eve visits sometimes to pick up a hot dog and ice cream cone at an all-night hamburger stand.

Dance Students In Yule Recital

Dance students of Barbara Allen were presented in a Christmas recital Tuesday night at the American Legion Hall. Those participating in the recital were Christine Sikes, Barbara Myers, Margaret Juniper, Kay Jarnagin, Reetabeth Gibson, Karen Stoelzing, Roselyn Parker, Linda Jones, Margaret Loudder, Carol Brown, Rebecca Price, Mike Powell, Nancy McCormack, Cynthia Lee, Martha Hughes, Jani Collins, Margaret and Diana Dreiss.

The dance of "A Child's Dream" was presented. Little dolls were portrayed. Mike Powell played the part of the toy soldier and skillfully carried it out by wearing a red, white, and blue top hat.

Special mention needs to be made of the "Angels" number. The dance was beautiful in its simplicity and effect. The first Christmas carol was "O Little Town of Bethlehem" which was played to a bare stage.

The angels appeared in "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." They showed exceptional grace in bending near the earth to touch the harps of gold. Another tender moment came when the youngsters, wearing long robes, knelt down to "Silent Night" and arose again.

Then the little angels appeared to "Jingle Bells" and "White Christmas" and the audience was enchanted, especially with the "Littlest Angels," Martha Hughes and Diana Dreiss.

A FAMILY WEDDING

Boston, Mass. — When Alfred J. McInnis and Phyllis Moscone were recently married in East Boston's Sacred Heart Church, it was definitely a family affair. The couple had as attendants six brothers of the bride, and six sisters of the groom.

87-YEAR-OLD WOODCHOPPER

Tenafly, N. J. — Although Samuel Jackson Kelly is 87 years old, he earns his living splitting firewood. Kelly says he plans to retire at 90 if business is still good.



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Spirit of Christmas

Christmas is a spirit. Christmas is a spirit of giving with the right attitude, for as Lowell said, "He gives nothing but worthless gold, who gives from a sense of duty," and "The gift without the giver is bare."

Christmas is a spirit of receiving with the heart, for the attitude of the receiver is just as important as the attitude of the giver.

Christmas is a spirit of thoughtfulness of others with cards or tokens of our love.

Christmas is a spirit of friendliness and cheerful "hello's" and "Merry Christmases."

Christmas is a spirit of the renewal of our faith in the Eternal. Christmas is a spirit of making resolutions to strive to do better in the coming year.

Christmas is a spirit of joy, of glad carols and gay carolers.

Christmas is a spirit of simplicity, of lowly manger in a barn. Christmas is a spirit of elegance with majestic oratorios and great cantatas.

Christmas is a spirit of love for our brothers of all races, creeds, and colors.

Christmas is a spirit of charity, of remembering our fellow men who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Christmas is a spirit of hope for a better world to live in, for a more bountiful life to come.

Christmas is a spirit of thankfulness for that Great Gift sent to us many years ago at this time of year.

Christmas is a spirit of peace on earth, good will to men.

Christmas is a spirit.

Time for Rejoicing

Christmas holidays are here! Time for rejoicing. Everywhere we see green trees and holly, bells, lights, and that jolly fellow Santa Claus. It's a time for merry-making and joy!

Listen! Hear the carolers as they make their way through the streets. They, too, are joining the heavenly hosts of old in proclaiming "Glory to God in the Highest."

It is a time for all of us to proclaim "Peace and good will toward men." Our trees are a symbol of the everliving Christ; our candles, his light to guide us; and Santa Claus, the spirit of Christmas, the giving to others that they might be happy.

Let's celebrate Christmas by remembering it should be a happy birthday for the Christ. It is not a time to think about what we can gain, but rather what we can do for Christ. Let's do the things that He would like. He had time for the poor, the unfortunate, the old, and the sick. It has been said through the years that Christ went about doing good. There is no better way to celebrate Christmas.

So let us deck our trees, light our candles, ring the bells, and happily sing "Glory to God in the Highest."

Star Gazers . . .

Major Ronald Force, of Amarillo, brought his telescope to the monthly meeting of the Science club on Thursday, December 17. Major Force talked to the members on stars, planets, and the solar system. Jupiter was one of the planets viewed through the telescope by the group.

After star gazing, the club retired to the home of Mrs. Joe Findley, sponsor, for hot chocolate and doughnuts. Approximately 25 members were present.

IT HAPPENED IN ART CLASS

Ray Green: Dorothy, what are you doing up on that ladder? Dorothy Neblett: I'm seeing how it feels to be an angel.

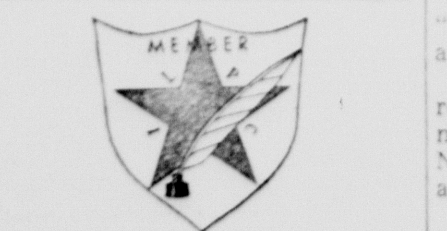
LARGE NICKEL PRODUCER

During World War II, more than 40 per cent of the nickel furnished to the Allied Nations came from International Nickel's Frodo-Stobie open pit mine in Ontario.

The Eagle's Tale

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Ole Cal turned wonderin' reporter for the Christmas edition and asked some of the students a question: What do you want Santa Claus to leave you in your stockings?

Opal Dawson wants an adding machine for bookkeeping.

Bobby Phillips doesn't want anything. On second thought he wants a girl.

Billy Joe Kennedy wants a new Chevrolet because his old one is about to throw a rod.

Jim Flynn wants a diaper washer and an "Upper plate."

La Verne Riley wants mink.

Ralph Miller wants a pipe and tobacco.

June Davis wants a Cadillac convertible and a scholarship to Texas University.

Dovie Keene wants just a plain old Cadillac.

Mrs. Simms wants good health, good cheer, and better English classes.

Larry Hungate wants a little toy duck.

Cecilia Waters said, "Ahhhh." Ellen Johnson wants an engagement ring so she can keep up with the crowd.

Harold Newberry wants a broom stick horse.

Faye Lowrey wants a tall, good looking boy.

Betty Brotherton said, "No Comment."

Wanda Rogers wants a new horn for her car.

Cal wants a good old fashioned girl to love him and sew up holes in his socks.

Cal hates to dispute his own words but—

THERE IS A SANTA CLAUS !!!

Senior Teens

In Amarillo, Texas, on February 10, 1936, first senior teen came into the world. Never did the proud parents dream of their child someday having the ambition of being a social worker. During this teen's past high school years membership has been held in FHA, NHS, Junior Red Cross, Science Club, and various other organizations. This individual has taken part in the choir, ensembles, the junior play, and other plays.

Hobby of this person, who plans to major in Church Social Work at the University of Texas, is that of collecting things. Honors that have been held by this teen are: Spanish Club Queen, president of CCYC, Worthy Advisor in the Rainbow Girls, and president of the Junior Red Cross. "A well-groomed, talented, high spirited, and dependable person to get to know," was the remark of a friend of this senior.

Hunting things is the hobby of teen number two. This teen, who was born in Happy, Texas, on September 1, 1935, plans to enter the field of Engineering at Texas Tech. To get out of high school is the ambition of this member of the senior class. Several school activities in which teen number two has taken part are: tennis, choir, and the junior play. This individual has held membership in the Science Club, NHS, FTA, and Junior Who's Who. A friend of teen number two commented, "A very fine upstanding person of many great abilities."

Charles Boling and Camilla Davis were the teens of last week.

Feliz Navidad Dicen Espanoles

"Feliz Navida y Prospero Ano Nuevo."

This would be the salutation greeting you would give in the Spanish I class of Miss Marilyn A. Payne.

The Spanish students have been learning about various Christmas activities and fiestas held in Mexico. Also, they are learning to sing Christmas carols in Spanish. El Nacimiento, the Nativity scene, was set up.

Some of the well known Christmas carols the class learned are: "Venid, Fieles Todos," "Los Reyes de Oriente," "Pueblecito de Belen," "Noche de Paz, Noche de Amor," "El Primer Noel," "Noche Sagrada" and "Cascabelles."

Spanish I students are Faye Lowrey, Virginia Leake, Nancy Hernandez, Fanita Marshall, Charles Neblett, Jimmie Reed, Glenna Rusk and Brian Tolliver.

"Paz en la tierra hacia los hombres de buena voluntad."



Dream of Jesus Coming to Earth

Last night I had a dream. I dreamed that Jesus came down to earth the day before Christmas. He was dressed as a dirty, penniless beggar. Going from house to house, He asked for food, drink, and clothing. Everybody turned Him away from his door. He viewed all the sin, corruption, pain, and suffering in the world.

Finally He found an old shack where a family that was very poor lived. They asked Him in and gave Him as much food and drink as they could spare. They also gave Him some warm clothing. Then He left.

The next day, Christmas, He visited some of the churches in the city that were having services. At most of the churches He was a stranger, unrecognized. Nobody paid any attention to Him and they didn't try to meet Him. He felt that most of the people were there not because they wanted to be, but because they felt they should be.

Finally He found a church with more than just people in it. It held love, and mercy, and admiration for Him. He walked into the church and He was welcomed wholeheartedly. The people received Him into their goodness and kindness. He was a friend of everyone. He was no longer a stranger.

Would Christ be welcome at your home? Would you give food to a poor, penniless beggar? Would Christ be a stranger to you?

This Christmas we should all try to love our fellow man. We should try to meet them and be kind to them, and in that way be kind to Jesus Christ. After all, it is His birthday.

Joe's Blows

Last week Canyon's freshman team captured second place in the Stephen F. Austin Junior High tournament. They defeated Stephen F. Austin first, Sam Houston second, and then were defeated by Borger Junior High in the finals. Charles Neblett played three outstanding games and was selected for the All-Tournament team.

Talking about winning tournaments, the Canyon Eaglettes performed an outstanding job defeating the Happy Cowgirls. They had everybody on their feet, yelling Happy had beaten them three times before, but the girls from Canyon upset them in a close game, 30 to 29. Nice going, Eaglettes.

While we are on the subject of All-Tournament teams, Don Beck, Martha McBroom, and Bettie Ganton played exceptionally well in the Happy tournament and really deserved the gold basketballs they received.

Also last week I said that the Eagles and Eaglettes would play Shamrock, Tuesday night, December 15. The game was postponed because of the annual Christmas Choral concert, but the Eagles were in action at the White Deer tournament last week-end.

British Teacher Speaks to FTA

Miss Celia Pipe, an English exchange teacher at Amarillo High School, told "How the English Celebrate Christmas" at the Christmas party of the FTA club on December 21 in the home of Royce and La Nelle Gum.

The members exchanged gifts and Christmas carols were sung. Co-hostesses were Alice Simms, Wyanette Green, Ann Moore, Nancy Riley, Ellen Johnson, and Nancy Adecock.

As proud as the man who has a new power-driven lawn mower.

What ???

What would you do if you found a Rangifer tarandus in your stocking?

Janis Wright, "I'd jump in it and drive away."

Billy Joe Kennedy, "Take it out and court it."

Rae June Cabe, "Faint."

June Davis, "Take it to Mrs. Findley."

Faye Lowrey, "Take it out."

Don Wells, "What the — is it?"

Dovie Keene, "Sell it."

Opal Dawson, "Lands, I don't know what I'd do with it."

Al Myers, "Run to the dictionary."

Jim Flynn, "Set on it."

Anna Marie Barker, "I'd die."

June Davis, "Kill it."

Wanda Rogers, "I thought Santa wouldn't bring me anything nice."

Larry Hungate, "Put it in my pocket."

Betty Brotherton, "Run probably."

Ralph Miller, "I'd jump in my rusty Oldsmobile and run it down."

Frances Pennington, CENSORED

La Verne Riley, "Hollar."

Bobby Phillips, "Eat it."

Helene Meyer, "I'd ride it."

Ellen Johnson, "Scream."

A Rangifer tarandus is a common reindeer.

Senior Ensemble Sings Greetings

A group of Canyon High School girls entertained the community several times during the month with melody and harmony. A sextet of senior girls consisting of Shirley Peppard, Dorothy Neblett, Ann Holt, La Nelle Gum, Billene Childers, and Arlene Johnson had the pleasure of entertaining several of our students, townspeople, faculty members, and business men with many gay festive songs.

On Tuesday, December 15, the sextet sang at the luncheon held for the Rotary Club. The numbers they sang for the Rotarians were "O Leave Your Sheep," "Angels and Shepherds," "Ye Bells of Bethlehem," "Jingle Bells," and "White Christmas." The girls sang the first three selections at the Canyon High School Christmas concert held Tuesday night, December 15, at the high school.

The girls performed for the Canyon PTA meeting held in the cafeteria on Thursday night, Dec. 17. They sang the three selections which were sung at the Christmas concert.

Entertaining at the PTA meeting December 17 were the Senior Girls' Sextet composed of Billene Childers, Arlene Johnson, Shirley Peppard, Dorothy Neblett, Ann Holt, and La Nelle Gum who sang "Angels and Shepherds," Czechoslovakian, and "Ye Bells of Bethlehem" by Luvaas.

The Boys Trio consisting of Ray Green, Ed Wells, and Don Wells sang "Let No Man Come Into This Hall," an Old English, and "Star of the East" by Kennedy. Miss Ada V. Clark, choral director, trained the groups.

Fourteen members of the Canyon Grade School sixth grade band played two numbers under the direction of Herman Demus, director of the Canyon High School Band.

The high school Brass Sextet composed of Harold Newberry, Perry Slagle, David Miller, Glen Rusk, Ed Wells, and Norris Samuelsen played "Come Little Children," "Silent Night," "Joy to the World," and "Old Santissima."

Mrs. K. E. Frieze gave the meditation. A business meeting followed.

Drugs-Sundries-Gifts - Canyon Drug

CHS Features Gay Decorations

CHS has been decked out in true holiday fashion this year.

A tall, beautifully decorated tree stands in front of the mirror at the main entrance. This tree was bought and decorated by the SFC.

Out of wire and cardboard, Ray Green made the mobile suspended from the ceiling at the main entrance. Another mobile hangs at the cafeteria entrance with four angels, a star, and bells.

Decorations in the auditorium for the Christmas concert were done by the members of the shop classes under the supervision of Sidney Burgess, and the art classes under the direction of Miss Claudia Neeley, art instructor.

FFA Boys Repair Christmas Toys

Toys! Toys! Bring your old toys and let the Future Farmers make them new again! Let's make some children in Randall County happier this Christmas by contributing old toys. Toys which you may wish to keep will also be repaired.

This is the second consecutive year for this project and the student body is asked to help put it over.

At the FFA meeting December 14, Edward Henders was elected FFA representative to the Randall County Junior Livestock Show Association Board of Directors.

Dairy Improvement Committee reported that the chapter had a prospect for an incoming registered Holstein calf if some boy is interested in a chapter heifer.

Christmas carols were sung and refreshments of ice cream and cold drinks were enjoyed.

Clark Entertains Girls Ensembles

On Thursday and Friday afternoons the home of Miss Ada V. Clark was the setting of a Christmas party for the girl members of the Canyon High School ensemble groups. Miss Clark planned the party as a "thank you" for the girls for being so cooperative and to say "Merry Christmas" to them. Classes represented in the ensemble groups are the freshman, sophomore, junior, and senior.

The receiving rooms carried out the Christmas theme with gay decorations of the holiday spirit. Among the decorations were the nativity scene, a miniature pipe organ with a miniature choir about the organ, a small church which played "Silent Night," a small nature-like Christmas tree, and as the girls entered the home they were greeted with a cheerful "Joy" on the door.

During the receiving hour Christmas recordings were played. Refreshments of punch, imported cookies, candy, and nuts were served from a table laid with a lace luncheon cloth and centered with a miniature boy's chorus.

After the serving of refreshments the girls sang Christmas carols accompanied at the piano by Diane Prichard.

Freshmen Beat Floydada, Tulia

Canyon's freshman team added two more victories to their win column last week. The first one was Tuesday, Dec. 15, and the next one was Thursday, Dec. 17.

First they defeated Floydada by a score of 43 to 32. Charles Neblett led Canyon's scoring with 20 points, while George Snapp contributed 10. The high man for Floydada was Watts with 16.

On Thursday they defeated Tulia by a score of 48 to 25. Neblett again led the scoring with 18 points, followed closely by Snapp with 17. Love was high point man for Tulia with 12 points.

Tulia Falls Victim To Canyon's 'B'

Canyon's B string got back into the win column Thursday night, December 17, by stomping Tulia's B string by a score of 45 to 36. Ronnie Ratliff really came to life to be Canyon's high point man. Simmons and Stratton tied for Tulia with ten points each.

This is the second time the B squad has played Tulia. The first time Tulia defeated them, 25 to 23, but it was Canyon's first game of the season. They seem to be playing very good ball right now and may come up with as good a record as last year's B team that took a tie for first place in the district.

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

CCYC'ers Enjoy Caroling Party

"Silent night, holy night," rang out through the night as the CCYC members enjoyed their annual caroling party last Friday night.

The carolers met at the Presbyterian Church at 7:30. They caroled through the town for almost an hour and a half and then returned to the church for games and refreshments.

Billene Childers opened the CCYC assembly by leading the student body in the singing of several carols. Janelda Cunningham read the scripture and then turned the program to Frances Pennington who introduced the speaker, Rev. Strauss Atkinson, of the First Baptist Church, who gave a Christmas message. Billene Childers led the assembly in another carol and Rev. Atkinson closed the assembly with prayer.

Students Enjoy Yuletide Parties

Students of the junior class and their sponsors, Waylon Carroll and Mrs. Dan Sanders, had their Christmas social Monday, December 21, in the high school cafeteria.

Fun was had by all in various games and dancing. The room parents served the refreshments toward the conclusion of the evening.

Enjoying their yuletide party the following night, Tuesday, were the students of the senior class and their sponsors, Mrs. Cecil Simms and Eddie Conner.

Several games were played by all and then the group went caroling.

Refreshments of sandwiches, hot chocolate, home-made candy, and cold cider were served by the room parents.

BUT EVEN SO

McGinty — I've a terrible corn on the bottom of my foot.

Pat — That's a fine place to have it. Nobody can step on it but you.

BULOVA WATCHES DIAMONDS — JEWELRY

THE PHARMACY JEWELRY DEPARTMENT

Pat Ricketts, Jeweler

WEST SIDE OF SQUARE

"Year to pay" weekly or monthly payments

Eagles Capture Third at Tourney

Canyon Eagles erupted into third place at the White Deer tournament in White Deer Saturday night, December 19, by topping the Tulia Hornets, 57 to 42.

In the first round of the tournament Canyon squared off with Lefors and dropped them with a count of 67 to 32. Arlen Ruthart led the scoring with 14 points, closely followed by Don Beck, Billy McBroom, and Charles Miller with 13, 11, and 10 points respectively.

In the second round White Deer slipped up on Canyon and defeated them 48 to 39. Billy McBroom led the scoring in this one with 12 points. Don Beck came next with 9. Mills scored 18 points and Denham 14 for White Deer.

Then, in the battle for third place, the Eagles trampled Tulia, 57 to 42. Charles Miller and Arlen Ruthart led the scoring with 11 points each, while Leroy Burrow and Don Beck had 10.

Don Beck and Billy McBroom were two of the ten boys placed on the All-tournament team.

Sen. McCarthy denies that his goal is to be President of the United States.



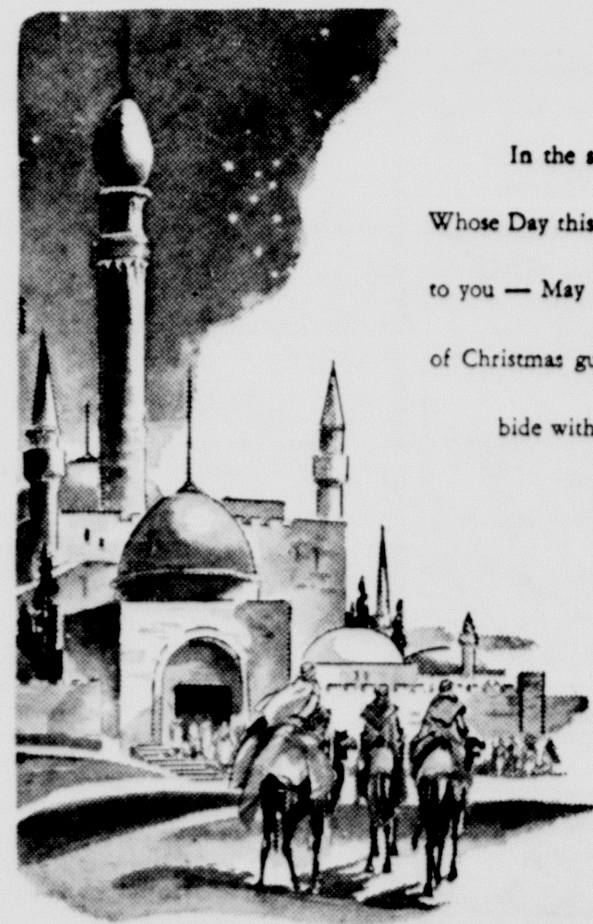
May a very merry Christmas season flourish at your house this year.

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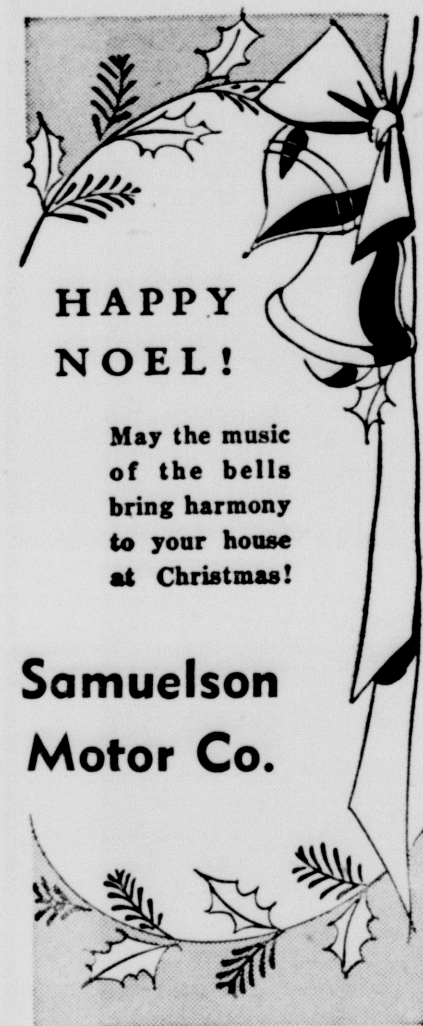
A SONG FOR CHRISTMAS

Same old song, but always new — Merry Christmas — to all of you!



In the spirit of Him Whose Day this is — we say to you — May the blessings of Christmas guide you and bide with you, always!

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HAPPY NOEL!

May the music of the bells bring harmony to your house at Christmas!

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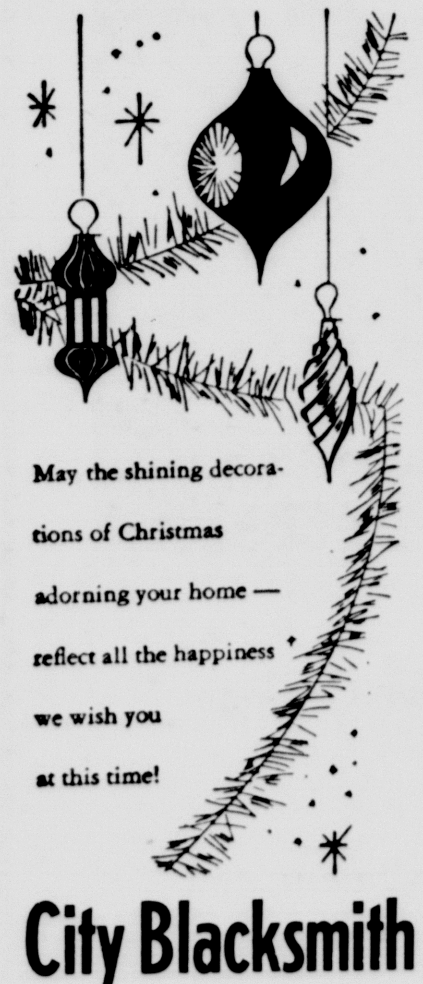


TO OUR FRIENDS

BEST WISHES

Our package of Christmas greetings to our friends, is wrapped in appreciation of your loyal patronage!

Schmitz Weld Shop



May the shining decorations of Christmas adorning your home — reflect all the happiness we wish you at this time!

City Blacksmith



We open wide our hearts to wish each and every one of our loyal customers: a very happy holiday season.

Otta Lee's Beauty Shop



By Anne O'Sullivan

HESITANT but determined, Ransome had brought his fiancée, Hilda, home for Christmas to his parents' mountain ranch. Now, on Christmas Eve, Bridget, his young school-teaching sister, and Gloria, his white-collar sister, sat in the pine-paneled living room, admiring the yet undecorated Christmas tree. And Hilda seemed to be getting along particularly well with Gloria, the ambitious, the contemptuous sister whose city veneer denied her mountain heritage.

He was the first to stir from the surprising but comfortable dark. "I'll take care of it, Ma," he called toward the kitchen, "probably just a blown out fuse."

"Wouldn't you know it?" Gloria's voice rose sharply, complainingly.

Pa, armed with a lantern, stamped in the back door, shedding snow as he shook his heavy jacket off. "Brrr, a real snow-piling easterner, but the animals are all right."

"Did you check the fuse box, Pa?" Ran asked.

"Not much use—the wind probably took care of a transformer. What's the matter boy? When you were living at home we didn't even have electricity."

"Yeah, well, we still got plenty lanterns around?"

"Long as we got horseshoes, we'll keep the lanterns ready," it was Ma's turn to laugh. "Likely our lights'll be off two-three more times this winter."

"We can't trim the tree, Pa, when the light string won't work," Gloria sounded petulant, dissatisfied. Was Hilda disappointed too? Ran wondered.

"Remember the times we trimmed the tree with popcorn balls and all?" Bridget asked. "Let's do it tonight, shall we, Ma?"

"Why of course, Pa and I'd get a sight of pleasure out of that. How about you, Hilda?"

"I'd like to help." To Ran she sounded enthusiastic, but maybe it was just politeness.

"A sight more work too," Gloria pointed out. "Why you won't move . . ."

"I'll need another lantern for the kitchen, Pa, if I'm to string cranberries," Bridget interrupted zestfully.

RAN KNELT beside the deep fireplace, built by his great-grandfather, to stir the coals. As a boy he had risked burning himself to pop corn in a frying pan; now they had a long-handled popper. The angry surge of wind reassured him in a strange way. He was at home. Safe and protected. If only Hilda could share his feeling for this place . . .

He leaned on his heels, whistling, as the kernels began to pop.



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"I wish you'd let me help," Hilda said. "Bridget sent me in with a bowl, salt and butter."

Ran moved aside, finding it natural for Hilda to kneel and work beside him. Her eyes sparkled and her face was flushed in the firelight, but Ran missed his chance to ask if she were happy when Bridget summoned them to string popcorn.

Gloria held up a string of popcorn. "Not half so pretty as tinsel."

"Means more," Bridget said. "Seems like popcorn strings have a special beauty—the kind you can't buy."

Soon the Christmas tree was festooned with strings of popcorn and cranberries. It looked beautiful to Ran even before they moved presents underneath. He caught the satisfaction on everyone's face, though Gloria still looked cynical.

Just then Hilda rushed out of the room and went upstairs. When she came back, she paused half-shyly in the doorway, an accordion in her arms. "I thought you'd have a piano and, now that the radio's off, maybe you'd like some carols? It's been such a perfect evening."

Ran knew then, as he guided her into the circle and saw the family make way for her, that Hilda was one of them and his voice rose exultantly in "O Come All Ye Faithful."



By Shirley Sargent

STEVE ROLLED from the bed where Marge slept and started toward the living room. The glow of Christmas tree lights betrayed the children. Young Stevie—there was a boy for you—had one hand in his stocking. Julie was whispering, "Go on, see what's in it." Only Doris, the tall, older one, was quite still.

Paris turned just as Steve said "Merry Christmas," sarcastically.

Young Stevie, with the engaging grin, whipped around. "Hi, daddy. Can we open our presents? It's almost daylight."

"Daylight, my foot—it's barely two."

"But Santa Claus has already been here."

"Bed," Steve commanded. Steve and Julie hugged him, leaving without argument, but there was defiance plain on Paris's face.

"Under the tree, dad, I don't see anything long and sort of curved."

That Paris, an odd one. An eleven-year-old kid wanting a trombone. It beat Steve. "I don't either," he agreed, meeting his son's eyes. "Look, you're too old to believe in Santa Claus, and too young to realize how expensive a trombone is."

Paris looked down at the mounds of gaily wrapped packages.

"Okay," he said in a flat, old-sounding voice "so I get a couple of new shirts and Stevie gets . . ."

"Stevie gets what?"

Paris ground his bare foot into the rug. "Nothin'. I was just talking."

"Good night, son," Steve watched Paris out of the room before he unplugged the tree lights and sank into a worn armchair.

Paris was right. Stevie had everything he'd asked for piled under the tree. Even an electric train. Cost a lot to keep a kid happy these days, but a trombone . . . Like the one out in the trunk of the car that was going back to the store first thing Wednesday morning. A man made only so much working in a laundry, trying to save enough to buy a half interest, so Marge went ahead and bought a Trombone without a by-your-leave.

First Paris had to have lessons, then a rented horn to practice on. Now he wanted one of his own. Paris, a funny kid. Never listening to the football games like Julie and even Stevie did. Always wandering off for hikes and bringing home strange, ragamuffin kids. Happy when he could tinker with all radios, happier yet when he could listen to highbrow music. That stuff. Steve didn't understand him and that was a fact. From

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a distance he heard the voices of carolers and, upstairs, the wavering notes of the rented trombone. That Paris!

EVEN AS STEVE swung up the stairs, to the attic, he heard the sureness in the music. At first Paris had practiced in the attic by request, but Steve had to hand it to him. He had worked hard; two-three hours a day until he could really play. Looking in on him now, Steve saw that the rented instrument gleamed.

"You love to play, don't you?" Steve asked.

A smile the like of which Steve had never seen before crossed his son's face. Then, shyly, "Mr. Baxter wants me to play in the school band."

It was hard to keep his pride from showing, but Steve only said heartily, "That's fine, Paris," before sending him back to bed.

Steve went downstairs, searching under the tree until he found young Stevie's electric train. The box was heavy in his hands as he considered. Toys didn't matter too much to Stevie—he liked active things, in which a father could share.

When Steve came back in from the car, he felt like Santa Claus as he put the shiny leather case that was long and sort of curved under the tree. A trombone for Paris.

Just Between You, Me and the Gatepost

By Lawrence Hummcutt

This is the week to be happy and joyous but if anyone mentions Christmas carols to Gene Davis they might not believe that he has proper amount of Christmas spirit. Before Charlie Donnell left town on his vacation he arranged for the loud speaker and the record player to carol the town from Gene's place. The record player was to be placed in the store and Gene would change the records.

The first trouble encountered was with the record player, the one that would play for an hour or so was broken and had to be repaired. During the time it was being repaired Gene had to be near the record player and change it after each one was finished. Then there was another trouble, with people who had no Christmas spirit, no doubt, they complained, "Where's all that noise coming from?"

W. E. Miller is keeping rather busy these days. He's the only man in town who has a certain suit that's extremely popular with the kiddies about this time of year. He's been using it to advantage too, advantage for others, that is. After attending the meeting of the Junior Livestock Association Thursday night, Windy came out to the VFW Hall and delighted everyone with his portrayal of Santa Claus.

In response to last week's column we had a letter from Mrs. Bob Gatten. Mrs. Gatten, whose husband is a carpenter and works in Amarillo, opposes the idea of a toll road as a freeway between Canyon and Amarillo. She hits Mr. Black's idea of a toll road as being impractical from the viewpoint of the very high cost of operating a car today. Those people who might not be using the road for shopping purposes would have to stand the toll charge.

The way Mr. Black outlined the plan for such a structure, the motorist would be refunded his toll charge on a \$5.00 purchase or more in Amarillo. Then, too, there would also be the free road leading to Amarillo for those who might not want to drive so fast.

We hope Mrs. Gatten is not overly worried about the toll road. The chances for such a road are indeed highly remote because there are many, many people who feel just the way Mrs. Gatten does about it. Toll roads seem to be ideas that work much better on paper than they do in practice.

A lot of the 1954 model cars are now making their appearance in the sales room of the dealers. Late Friday afternoon we were at the Chevrolet house and the new Chevrolet for 1954 was there. Later we learned that it was the first day for the showing of the car. Ed Williams said he had a lot of nice things for the people as they dropped by to view the new 1954 model. He proved it by giving us a bright red yardstick.

We're a little behind time about the other 1954 model cars. We do know the 1954 Ford is on the market, the boss recently purchased a new one and it's really a honey. The new Pontiac is in but we haven't had time to check with Alvin McDonald about the new Oldsmobile, or Otto Samuelson about the new Dodge or Randall Motor about the new De Soto. Groucho would probably have let us in on this unveiling if we'd been listening closely.

Some time ago we asked folks to send in their favorite recipes and we finally got one for a banana nut cake. The recipe calls for two cups of sugar, ¾ cup shortening, 1½ cups sour milk, 3 cups cake flour, 3 eggs, 1½ teaspoons soda, 1 teaspoon baking powder, 3 bananas, crushed, 1 cup of nuts, 1½ teaspoons vanilla.

Sift flour once, measure; add baking powder and soda and sift together three times. Cream shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg yolks and beat well; add flour alternately with sour milk, a small amount at a time. Beat well after each addition until smooth. Last, stir in vanilla, nuts, bananas, and fold in beaten egg whites. Bake 350 degrees about 25 to 30 minutes.

The icing for the banana nut cake is made with ¼ pound of butter, 1 box powdered sugar, 2 small, very ripe bananas, 1 cup chopped nuts, juice of one-half lemon and one-fourth teaspoon almond flavoring.

Well, here we are again to that place where we try to get a laugh. Father time may be head of the house but mother nature tells him what to do.

The deacon said he told the Reverend not to buy that second hand car because he knew the Reverend didn't have the vocabulary to run it.

Mother to small son: "Now Junior, be a sweet boy and say 'ah' for the doctor so he can get his finger out of your mouth."

When in doubt, do the friendliest thing.



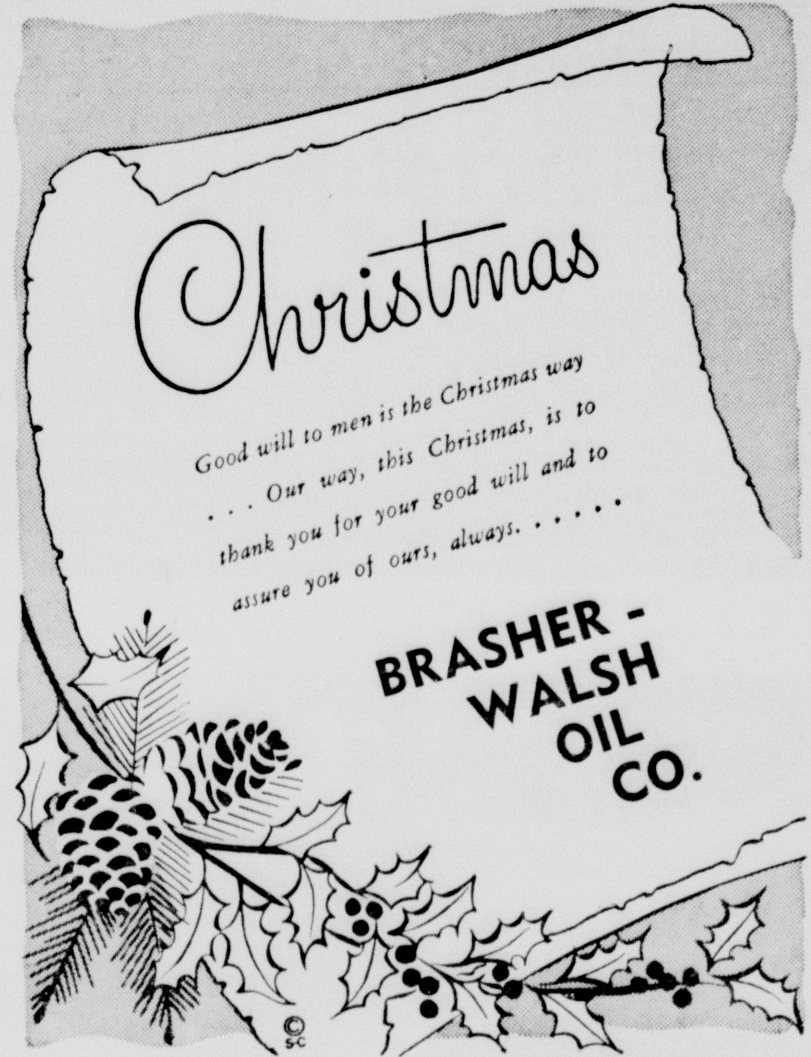
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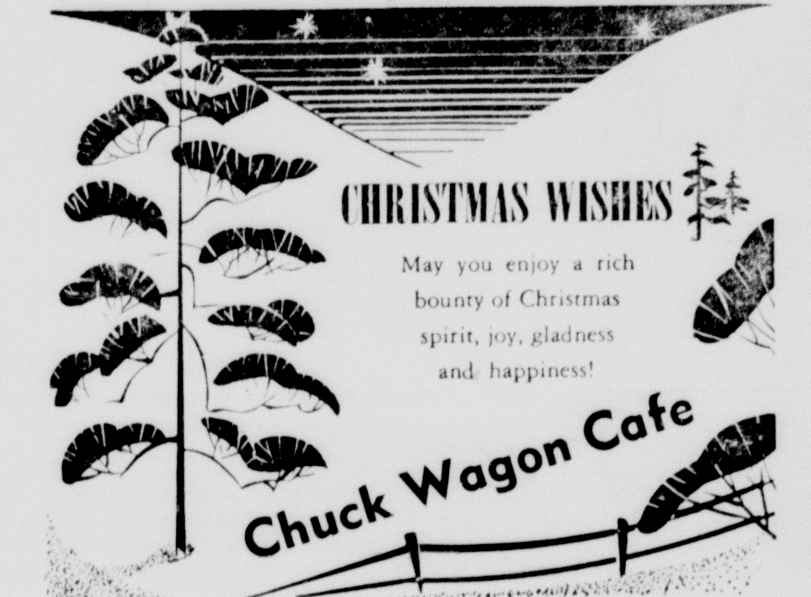
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This is the spirit to which, centuries later, we open our hearts and minds, as we gather in our places of worship or in family groups for the exchange of presents, in celebration of the Nativity.

WHO KNOWS

1. What percentage of the population of Utah is Mormon?
2. How does a cuckoo hatch its eggs?
3. What is the largest single source of state revenue?
4. On what sea does Yugoslavia border?
5. What sea lies between Greece and Asia Minor?
6. For what is Dr. William Harvey, English physician, best known?
7. Is anyone permitted to smoke in the United States Congress?
8. Just where is the American Hall of Fame located?
9. What European river runs through three national capitals?
10. Name the capitals of Austria, Hungary, and Yugoslavia.

The Answers . . .

1. 68.3 per cent, according to the U. S. Commerce Department.
2. In the nest of some other bird.
3. Motor vehicles—29 per cent of the total taxes collected.
4. The Adriatic.
5. The Aegean.
6. His discovery of the circulation of the blood.
7. No.
8. On the campus of New York University, University Heights, the Bronx, N. Y.
9. The Danube.
10. Vienna, Austria, Budapest, Hungary, and Belgrade, Yugoslavia.

Let them obey that know how to rule. —Shakespeare.

Arthur H. Sulzberger, New York Times publisher: "Truth is a sensitive companion, difficult to catch up with and likely to flee if suspicion appears."

DUCTILE IRON

Although made in the iron foundry, Ductile Iron, unlike ordinary cast iron, is not brittle, but can be bent or twisted. Introduced several years ago by International Nickel, this new product has been heralded as the greatest development in the foundry industry since Seth Boyden first made the American type of malleable iron around 1820.

GRADUATES AFTER 22 YEARS

Brewer, Maine—Avery D. Olmstead will receive his high school diploma — just 22 years late — when and if he hands in a book report he should have handed in in 1931. Records show that Olmstead, who will be 40 on Christmas day, completed all other graduation requirements, except the book report.

STAINLESS STEEL TRAINS

Many modern streamlined rail road passenger cars are completely built with a chromium-nickel stainless steel framework and encased in stainless steel sheets so thin, yet so strong, that weight and operating costs are substantially reduced. Ordinary steel sheets would soon rust through—the stainless steel does not even need the protection of paint.

NO EFFECT

Dyeing machines made of chromium-nickel stainless steel alloys have made possible the delicate shades of colors in clothing so popular today. These alloys do not affect the color of the dye solution.

Work For the Night Is Coming

Retired Farmer — "Guess I'll rest a while, I've brought in the egg."

Wife—"Well, you haven't counted the cow."

Help Keep Canyon Clean!



STAR STEER—Carlyle and Sue Greathouse, 18-year-old twins of Hindsboro, Ill., proudly pose with "Little Stuff," their 1050-pound Black Aberdeen Angus steer. "Little Stuff" was named Junior Champion Steer of the International Livestock Exposition held recently in Chicago, but only after the disqualification of another steer discovered to be over age.

NO ROOM

Is there room in your home for Christ this Christmas? Don't turn Him away. Christmas is a time when people spend time, thought and treasure for the comfort, happiness and welfare of others... it is Christ's birthday. May your Yule-log burn brightly and in humility may you remember to reverently respect this most celebrated day, the birthday of our Lord.

Merry Christmas to All.



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'Operation Toy Shop' Is Hailed As Big Success

"Operation Toy Shop," Christmas activity of the Lions Club in co-operation with the Ministerial Alliance, has received tremendous response according to Lion President Truitt McGregor. People were asked to bring the toys to the Lions or place them in barrels located at various points about town. The barrels didn't collect many toys but there was a large number brought to the Lions.

The operation is a "good neighbor policy" by the Lions to help youngsters have a more enjoyable Christmas. The Lions devoted the Wednesday luncheon period to work on the toys. Many of the toys needed only a coat of paint and others needed minor repairs. To brighten up the toys with paint so they could brighten up some children's eyes at Christmas time, the Lions were permitted to use the tools at the Vocational Education Shop on the campus of West Texas State.

In addition to working Wednesday on the project, the Lions spent four nights in their toy shop. In remarking about the response of the drive, McGregor said the Lions and Ministerial Alliance had been given more toys than they had families to supply with toys. With the response so great in this en-

Election's Months Away, But . . .



deavor the Lions are wondering, where's that guy who said "there isn't any Santa Claus."

An American is born every nine seconds, on the average, according to the U. S. Census Bureau.

Bernard M. Baruch, retired industrialist: "Thinking has become a generally neglected art."

In the United States 57 per cent of the new cars are sold on the installment plan.



In the glowing spirit of Christmas we take pleasure of extending holiday greetings to our old and new friends.

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Estimated fire losses in the U. S. in 1952 were \$784,530,000 compared with \$731,505,000 in 1951.

A hamlet is a village without a church.

Chosen is the native name of Korea.

Help Keep Canyon Clean!

Red Cross Opens Three Overseas Recreation Spots

Early in 1954 the Red Cross will open three supplemental recreation centers in France and North Africa, according to Red Cross Chairman E. Roland Harriman. The recreation centers are being opened at the request of the United States Department of Defense, and will be located at Chateauroux, France, and Port Lyautey and Marrakech, North Africa.

Establishment of the recreational facilities, Harriman said, followed the joint Red Cross-Defense Department study of need for such centers in communities near American military installations in Europe and North Africa. Additional centers will be opened on the basis of further military recommendations, the Red Cross chairman said.

Two American Red Cross staff members already are in Europe to get the program under way. They will be joined by seven other specially selected and trained women by January 15, Harriman said.

Purpose of the new program is to meet the needs of American servicemen for recreation and leisure time activities in areas where it has been agreed jointly that those needs are not being adequately filled through military and community resources. Primary goal is to increase the opportunities for friendly free time contacts between servicemen and local populations.

The program will function as an arm of the local military command. Activities will be closely coordinated with those of special services and the office of community services. It is expected much of the work will be done through community advisory committees

and the wide use of volunteers—including the wives of American servicemen.

Stevenson Sells Interest to Blackwell

T. S. Stevenson, Sr., has sold an interest in his insurance agency to George Blackwell, who has been with his business for two years.

Mr. Stevenson started the business in 1935, and when he bought the former building of the First National Bank on the west side of the square Mr. Blackwell joined in operating the insurance department.

RESEARCH BROADENS NICKEL USES

Until about half a century ago there was little demand for nickel except for nickel-plating, for nickel coins, in the alloy nickel silver used to make certain household articles, and as a base for silver-plated ware. Since that time, and especially since 1921, hundreds of additional uses have been discovered for this metal, largely through scientific research.

TOUGH, STRONG ALLOYS

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John K. Norton, Columbia University professor: "We cannot defeat totalitarianism by becoming totalitarian."



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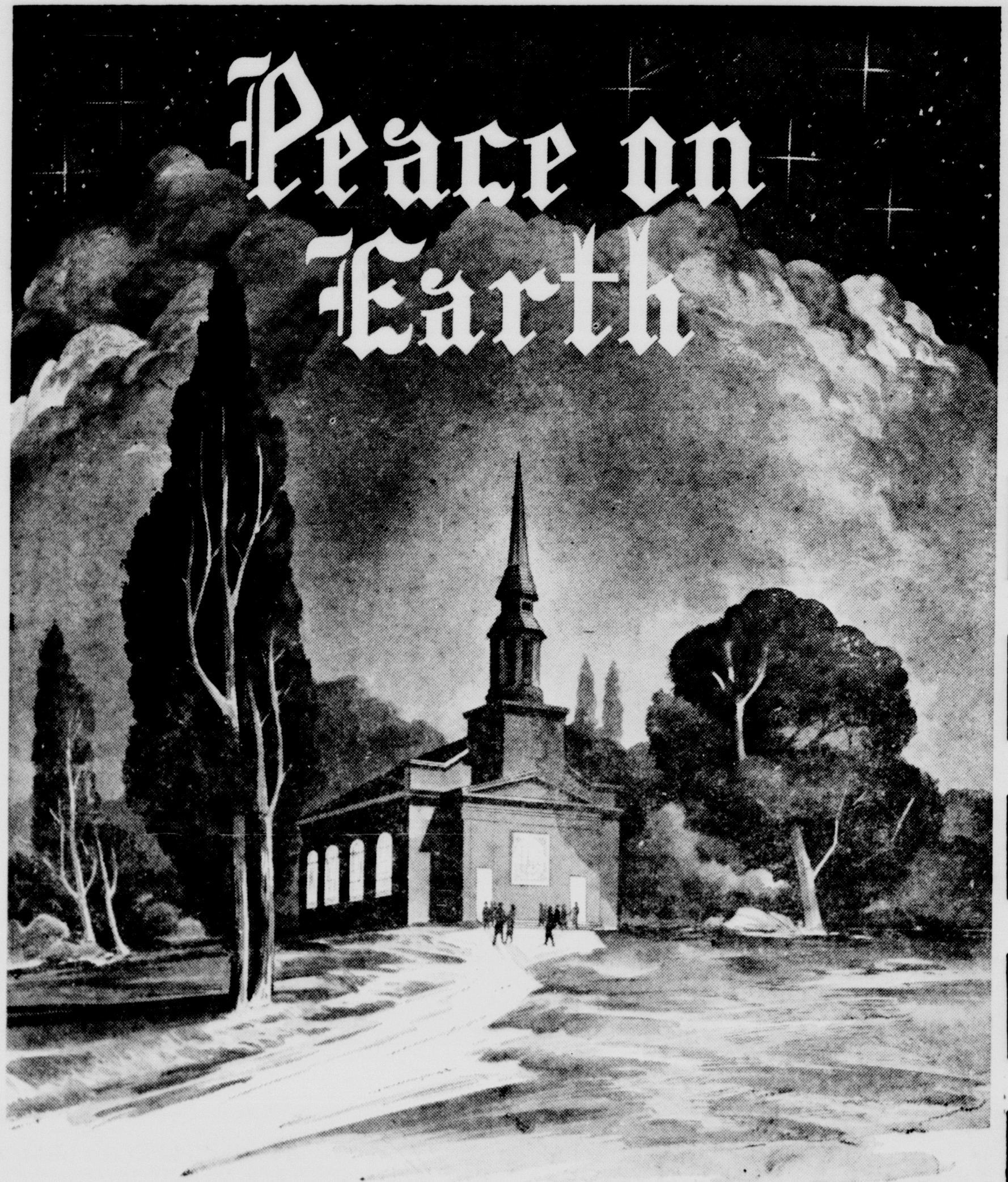
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